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THE HEDGEHOG

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Once a virtual paradise, the planet **Nebius** was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of **Doctor Robotnik**. In the aftermath, a **coragous group of "Freedom Fighters"** has risen to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs. The greatest among them is the **fastest and waz-coolest dude on two feet...**

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG

Some say knowledge is the ultimate power.

How then can true power be determined?

The answer may lie within recent events when one ancient warlord stole the power of another.

Upon his attack on **Laerjak, Mammoth Mogul** uttered these words, "There is always someone who is smarter, stronger and even more ruthless than you!" Now possessing the power of **twelve Chaos Emeralds** and a millennium's worth of knowledge to control it, it seems that Mogul's words ring true! In light of the recent banishment of **Sonic, Tails and Knuckles**, does such a champion exist who can win this day? Or are both **The Floating Island** and the planet **Nebius** destined to be subjugated once again?

While these questions may be pending,
the answers are fortunately (or unfortunately)
not long in coming...



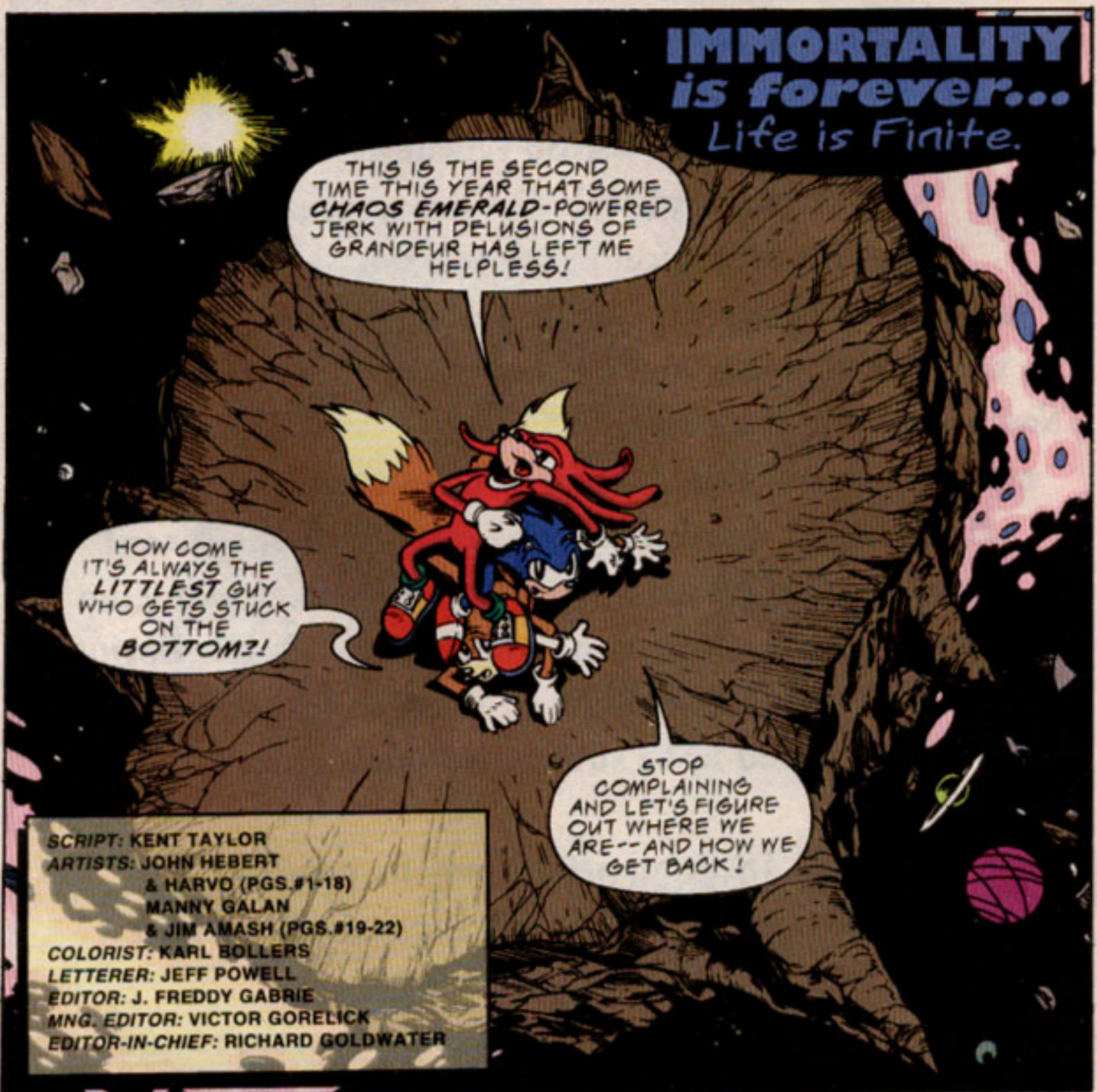
AGH! YOUR
SPINES ARE
JABBING MY
HEAD!



UGH! BIG
DEAL! YOUR
CLAWS ARE
JABBING MY
SPINE!



YECCH! BOTH
OF YOU GET YOUR
DIRTY FEET
OUTTA MY FACE!



IMMORTALITY
is forever...
Life is Finite.

THIS IS THE SECOND
TIME THIS YEAR THAT SOME
CHAOS EMERALD-POWERED
JERK WITH DELUSIONS OF
GRANDEUR HAS LEFT ME
HELPLESS!

HOW COME
IT'S ALWAYS THE
LITTLEST GUY
WHO GETS STUCK
ON THE
BOTTOM?!

STOP
COMPLAINING
AND LET'S FIGURE
OUT WHERE WE
ARE-- AND HOW WE
GET BACK!

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FIRST IT WAS
MY POWER-MAD
ANCESTOR, AND
THEN THAT
"MAMMOTH"
IDIOT SENDS US
TO THIS HOLE!

I WONDER
WHAT JELLY-
BELLY DID
WITH THE
REST OF OUR
BUDS!

"Uncle ENERJAK"
broke down his
molecular structure
in KNUX#8--Uncle Justin

WHAT THE?!
SOME KINDA ROCK
QUAKE?

SONIC!
I THINK
THE ROCK'S
ALIVE!

DON'T
BE STUPID,
KID!

NO, WAIT!
HE'S RIGHT!
LOOKOUT!

AGH!
IT'S GOT
ME!

DON'T
WORRY! I'LL
PULL YOU
FREE!

LET
GO!

THE GRAVITY
HERE IS WACKO!
I'M DOING ZIG
ZAGS!

BRR
ACK



NICE GOING
BUT NOW THAT
LEAVES US ALL
HOPELESSLY
ADRIFT!

HANG ON BIG
GUY WHILE I PUT
A NEW SPIN ON
OUR PREDICA-
MENT!

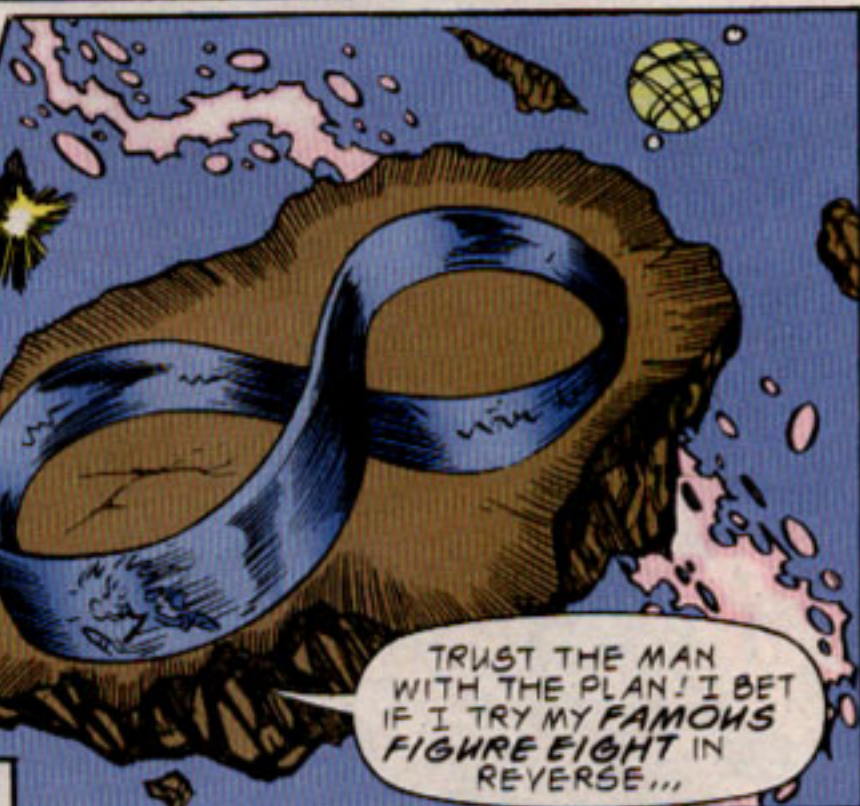
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NOT!
LOOK!



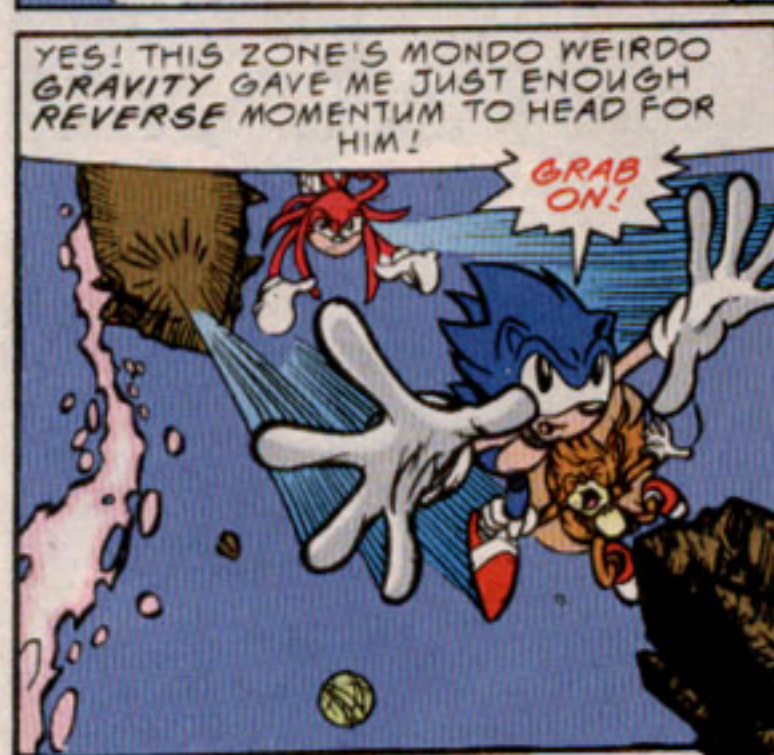
IT'S
ATHAIR!

HE'S NOT
BUDGING!

MAYBE THE OL' WEIRDO WANTS
US TO COME TO HIM! BUT HOW?



TRUST THE MAN
WITH THE PLAN! I BET
IF I TRY MY FAMOUS
FIGURE EIGHT IN
REVERSE...



YES! THIS ZONE'S MONDO WEIRDO
GRAVITY GAVE ME JUST ENOUGH
REVERSE MOMENTUM TO HEAD FOR
HIM!

GRAB
ON!

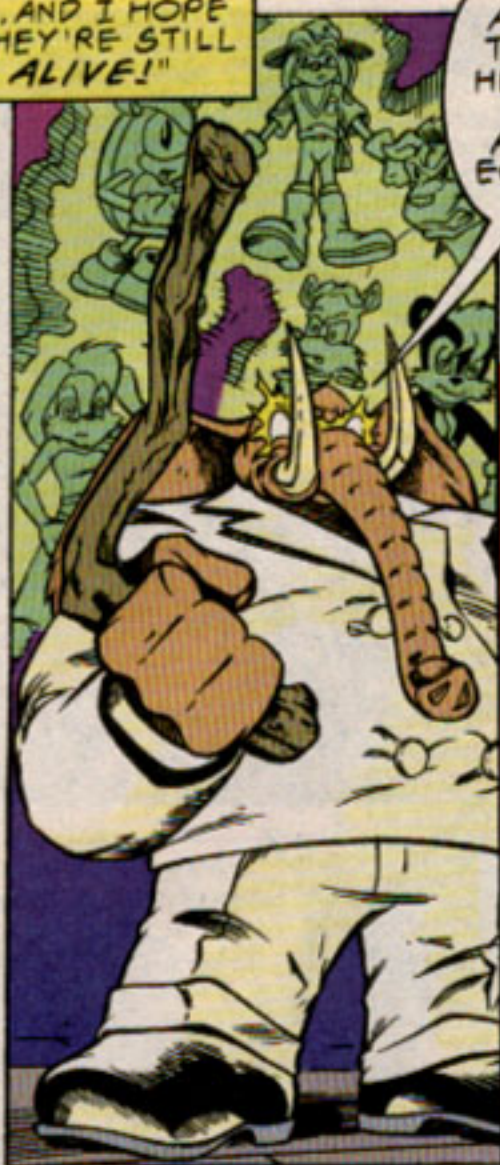


ATHAIR'S GONE, BUT IN
HIS PLACE IS SOME KINDA
BLACK HOLE! WE'RE BEING
SUCKED IN!

MAYBE HE'S
HELPING US
FIND OUR
FRIENDS!

ANYTHING'S
BETTER THAN
THIS PLACE!

"...AND I HOPE
THEY'RE STILL
ALIVE!"



I ALMOST
ADMIRE THEM...
THESE "SO-CALLED"
HEROES TRULY BE-
LIEVED THEIR
ABILITIES THE
EQUAL OF THEIR
COURAGE!

COURAGE!
AGAINST UNLIMITED
POWER! POWER TO
MAKE ME MASTER
MOGUL!

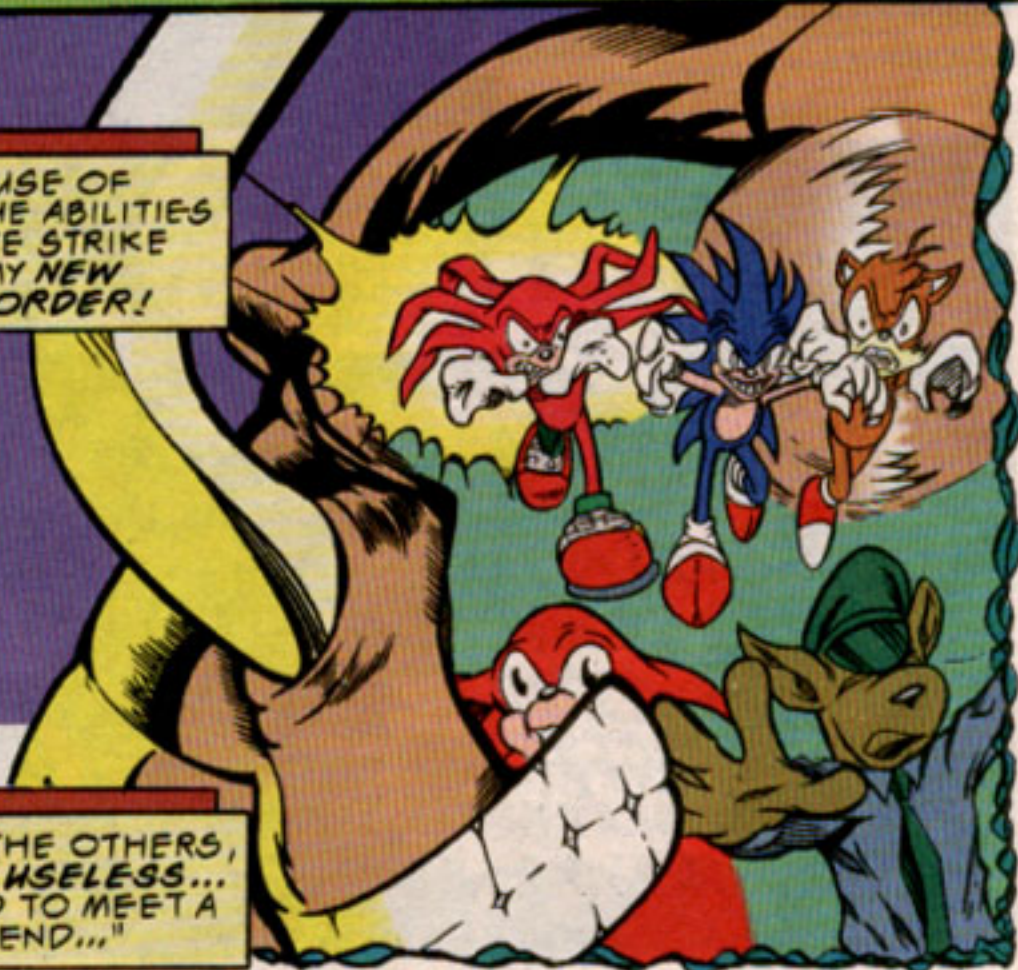


THE THREE
WHO MAY HAVE
POSED A THREAT
HAVE BEEN
BANISHED, HOPE-
LESSLY LOST
UNTIL I RETRIEVE
THEM...



"...MAKING USE OF
THEIR UNIQUE ABILITIES
AS THE ELITE STRIKE
FORCE OF MY NEW
WORLD ORDER!"

"AS FOR THE OTHERS,
THEY ARE USELESS...
DESTINED TO MEET A
SWIFT END..."

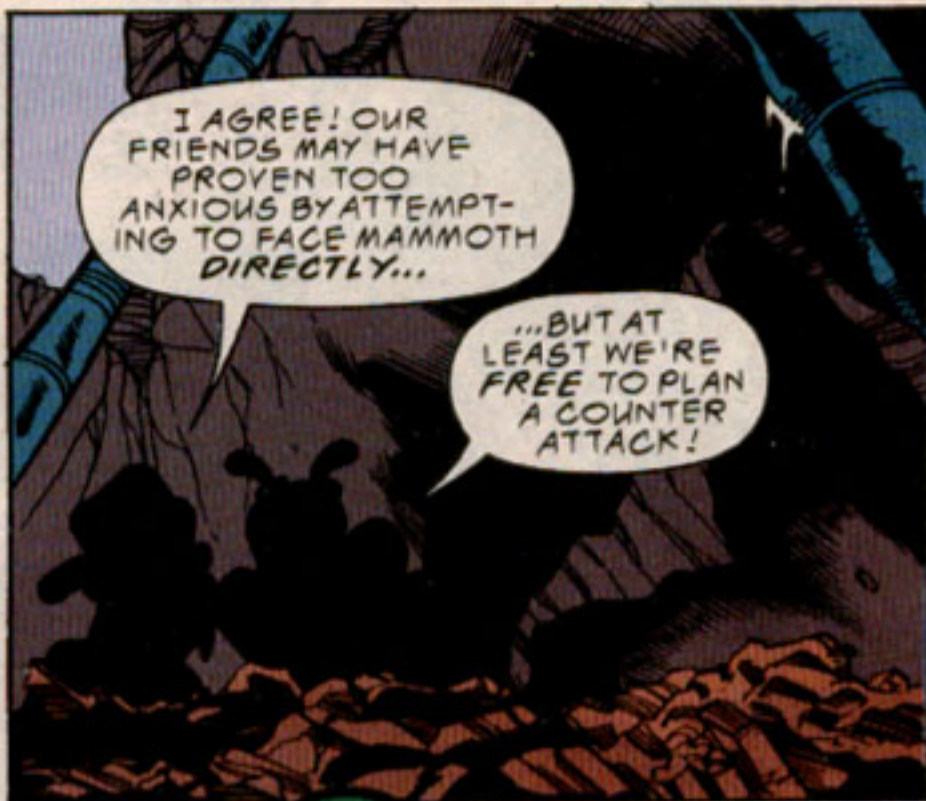




"...WHEN THEY
CEASE COWERING
IN THE SHADOWS
AND RESIGN THEM-
SELVES TO THEIR
FINAL FATE!"

WE'RE NOT
COWERING, BUSTER,
AND WE'LL SOON
PROVE IT!

I'M
EQUALLY
FRUSTRATED,
PRINCESS,
BUT WE BOTH
REALIZED
OUR ONLY
RECOURSE
WAS A
STRATEGIC
WITH-
DRAWAL!



I AGREE! OUR
FRIENDS MAY HAVE
PROVEN TOO
ANXIOUS BY ATTEMPT-
ING TO FACE MAMMOTH
DIRECTLY...

...BUT AT
LEAST WE'RE
FREE TO PLAN
A COUNTER
ATTACK!



A PLAN ISN'T
NEEDED, IT'S POWER!
AND NO ONE HAS
THE POWER TO
STOP MOGUL!

DON'T BE TOO
SURE! THIS UNIVERSE
PLAYS HOST TO PHE-
NOMENA A YOUNG
BOY LIKE YOU COULD
SCARCELY IMAGINE!



TECHNICALLY
THE BOY IS CORRECT--
NO ONE HAS THE
POWER TO CHALLENGE
THE PHENOM I HAVE
BECOME...

SHAKOOM

FORGET
PLANNING
OR POWER...
**EVERYONE
SCATTER!**



...THE POWER TO
VISUALIZE REALITY WITH
A *SIXTH SENSE*, FUNC-
TIONING AS A HOMING
BEACON-- TO DIRECT AND
DELIVER DEATH!

FLAZOOM



ACTUALLY, WE'RE
OF THE OPINION THAT YOU
HAVE A "SICK SENSE OF
REALITY"...

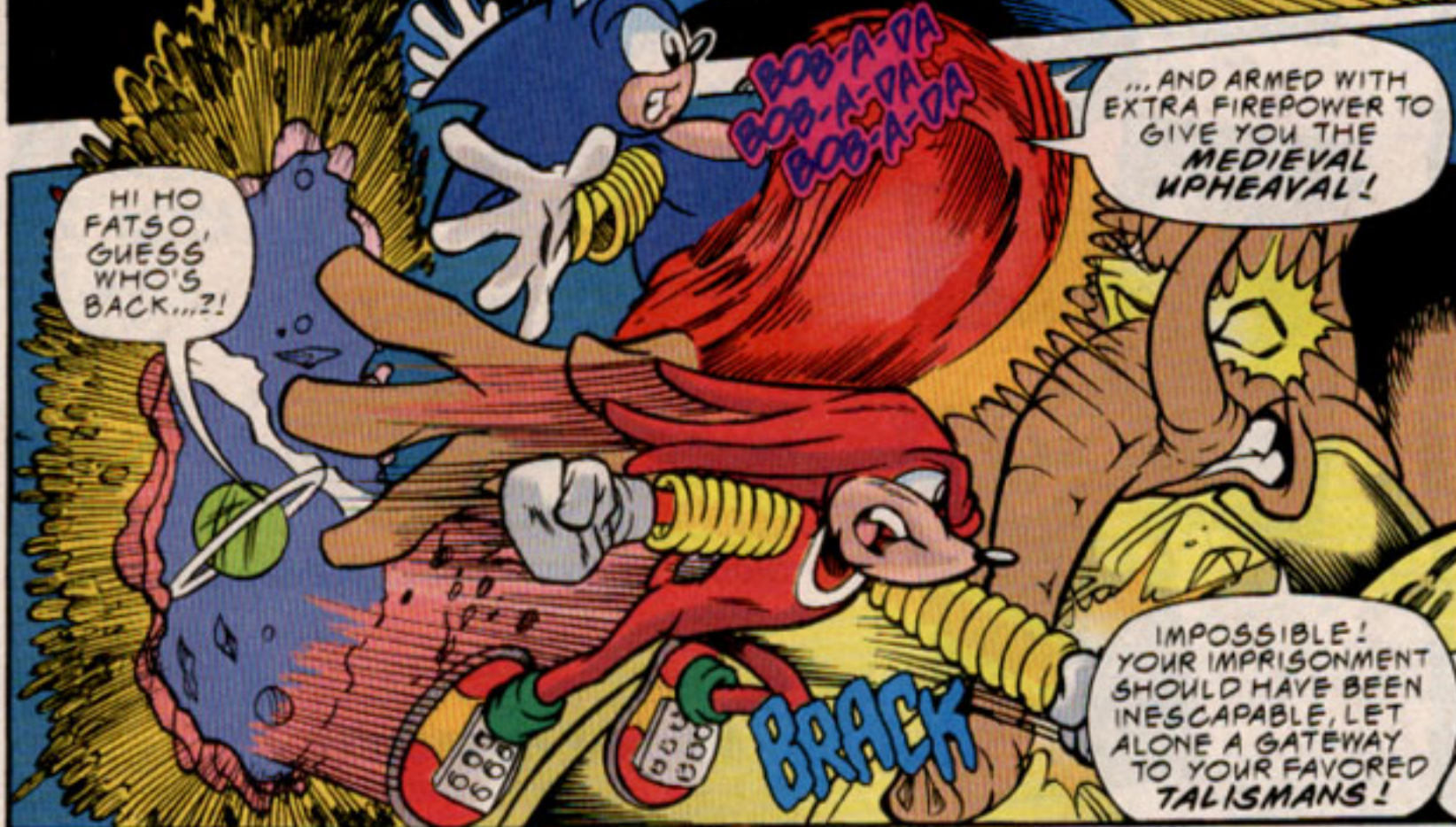


...AND THAT THE TWO
OF US ARE NEEDED TO
KNOCK SOME *SENSE*
INTO YOU!

RIGHT NOW, I'M BETTING
HE WISHES WE KEPT OUR
TWO CENTS TO OURSELVES!

BLOK
BLOK
BLOK

KLOP



HI HO
FATSO,
GUESS
WHO'S
BACK...?!

...AND ARMED WITH
EXTRA FIREPOWER TO
GIVE YOU THE
MEDIEVAL
UPHEAVAL!

IMPOSSIBLE!
YOUR IMPRISONMENT
SHOULD HAVE BEEN
INESCAPABLE, LET
ALONE A GATEWAY
TO YOUR FAVORED
TALISMANS!

BRACK

SMALL CONSEQUENCE, *SUPPOSEDLY*, THE BIO-ENHANCEMENT OF POWER RINGS PALES WHEN COMPARED TO CHAOS EMERALDS.

UGH! I THINK HE MAY BE RIGHT!

AGH! THAT REMAINS TO BE SEEN

ZARK

WHAT? THEY SEEM TO BATHE IN MY ENERGY, ALMOST ABSORB IT LIKE I DID DIMITRI'S!

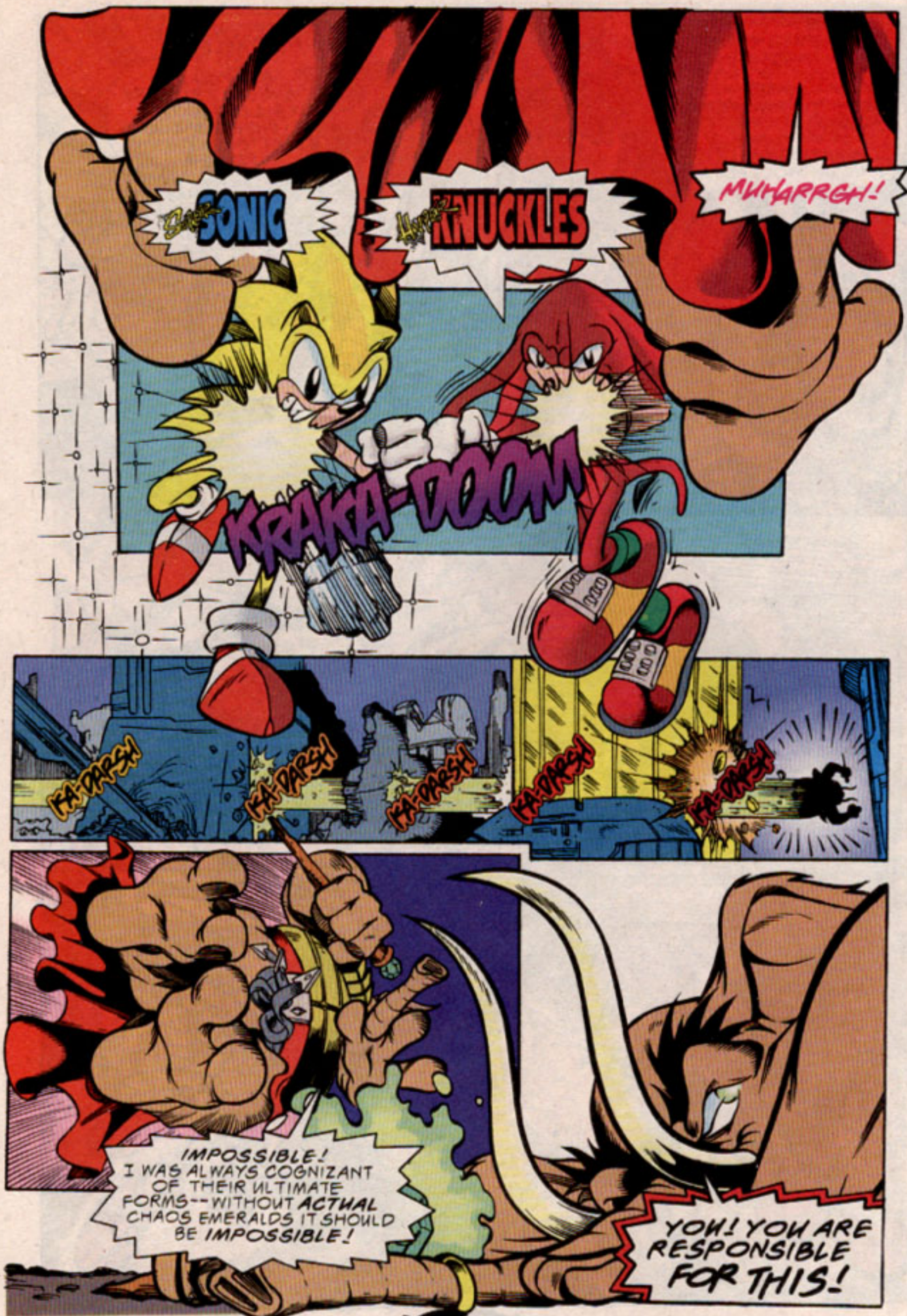
... BUT THIS TIME IT WILL BE FROM THE MORTAL PLANE!

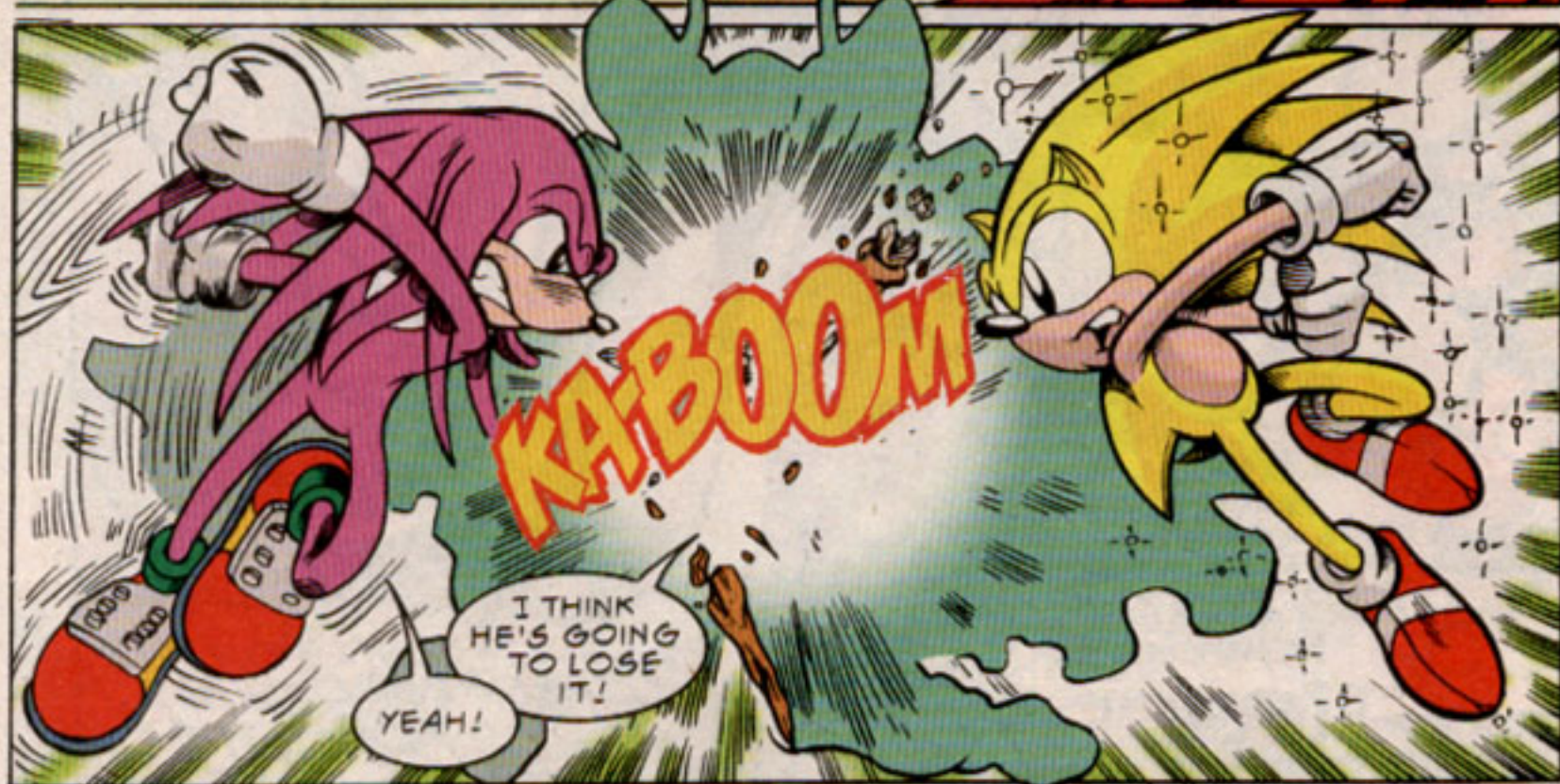
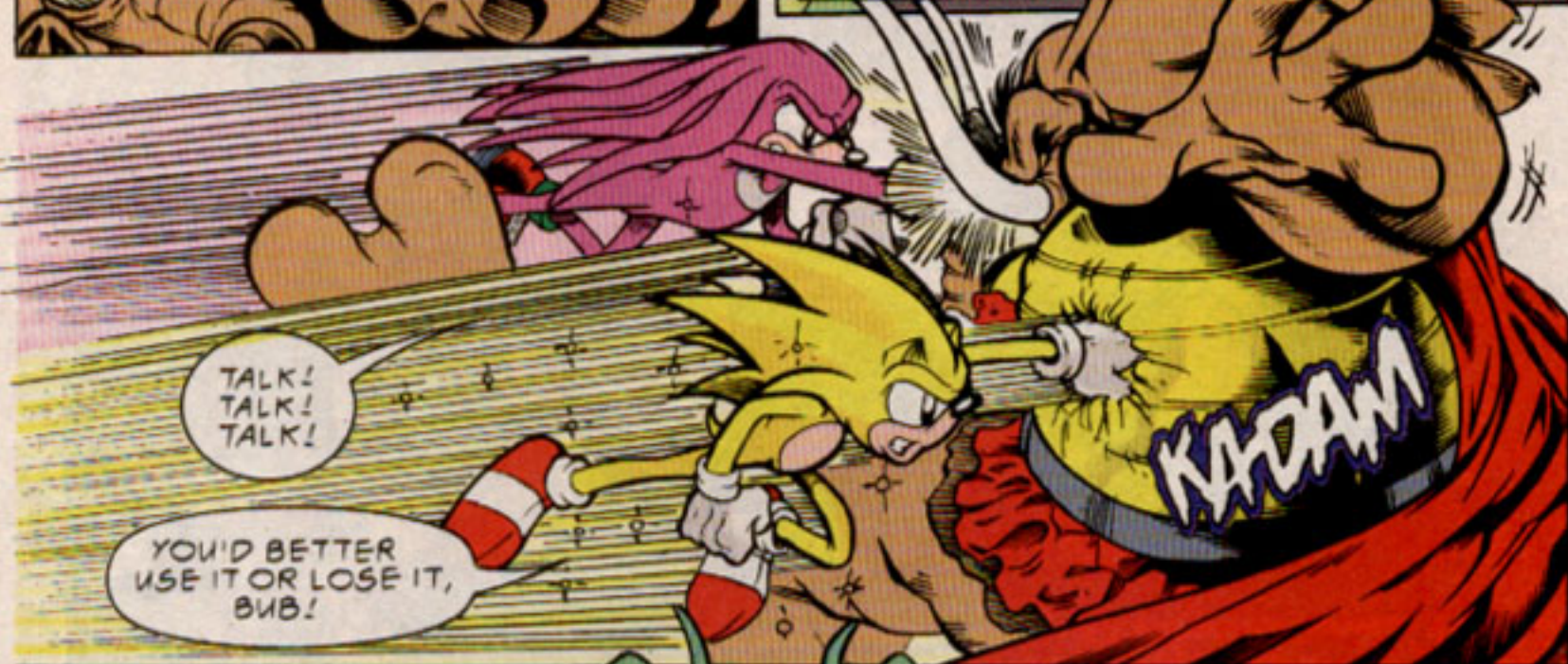
SONIC! KNUCKLES!
NO!

REGARDLESS OF HOW YOU OBTAINED THE RINGS AND RETURNED TO THIS PLANE, BY MY WILL, YOU ONCE AGAIN DEPART...

THAT'S RIGHT! NOW WE FINALLY UNDERSTAND THE **REAL** REASON WE LUGGED BACK THESE POWER RINGS!

YUP! FIFTY POWER RINGS EACH, COMBINED WITH YOUR ENERGY OF TWELVE **CHAOS EMERALDS** IS MORE THAN ENOUGH POWER TO HERALD THE TRIUMPHANT RETURN OF...





HEY!

LOOK!

YES, IT'S TRUE--MY
CANE WAS MERELY A
**MECHANICAL CON-
STRUCT**, A RUSE EN-
ABLING ME TO SAFEGUARD
MY **REAL CHAOS
EMERALD!**

"HOW WONDERFUL...
THAT A FREAK ACCI-
DENT OF MILLENNIUM
PAST..."

"...WEIGHING HEAVY
UPON MY **BREAST**,
YET GRIPPING THE
DEPTHS OF MY SOUL..."

"...SHOULD GRANT ME
POWER AND **IMMOR-
TALITY** THAT WOULD
DELIVER ME..."

"...UNTO THIS GLORIOUS
DAY WHERE **TWELVE CHAOTIC
SIBLINGS** PERFORM IN UNISON
TO CREATE..."

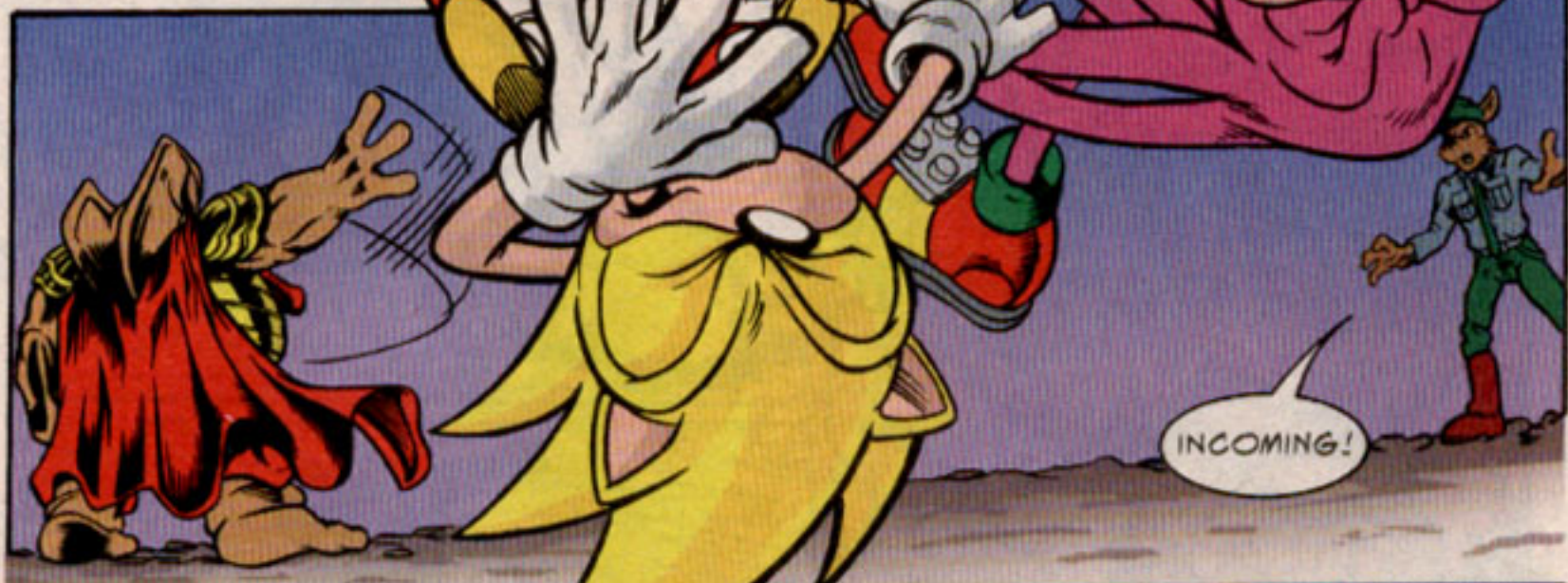
AN
EARTH-
QUAKE!

MAKE THAT
FLOATING
ISLAND
QUAKE!



Ha! Ha! NOT
A SIMPLE QUAKE,
BUT CONTROL AND
MOBILIZATION
OF THE VERY
ISLAND ITSELF!

JUST ONE OF
MANY PHASES IN A
MASTER PLAN
UNFATHOMABLE BY
LOWER EVOLUTIONARY
FILTH SUCH AS
YOURSELVES!



THANK GOOD-
NESS THEY'RE
STILL IN ONE
PIECE--BUT WHERE'S
TAILS?!

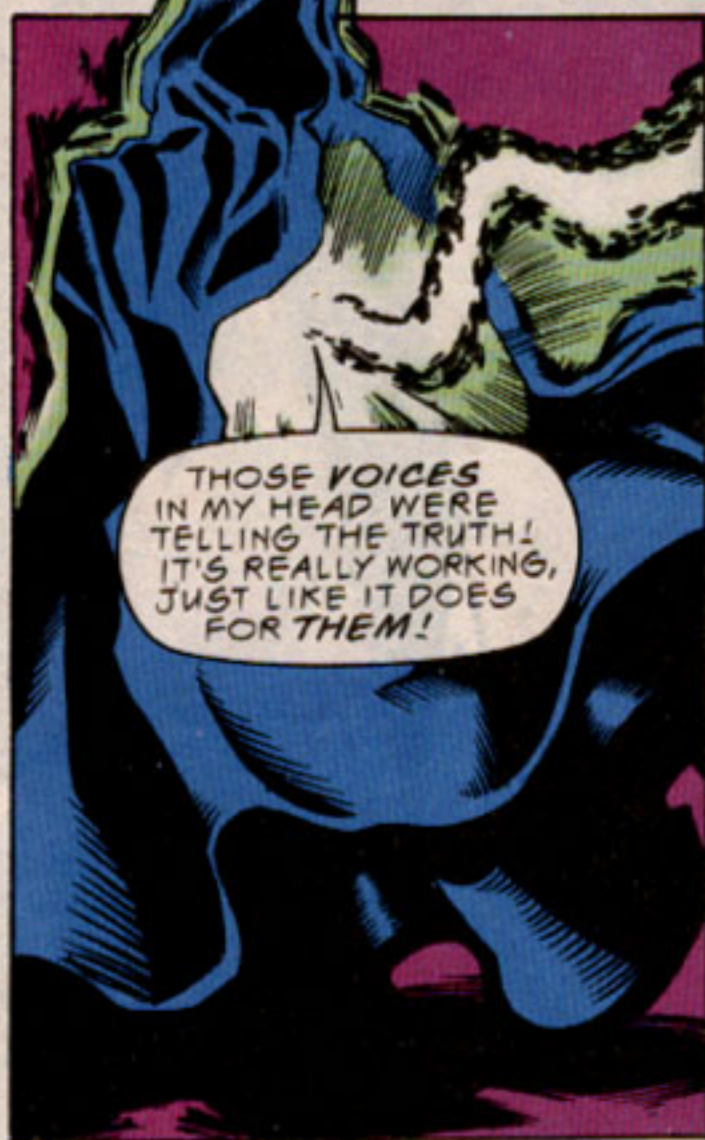
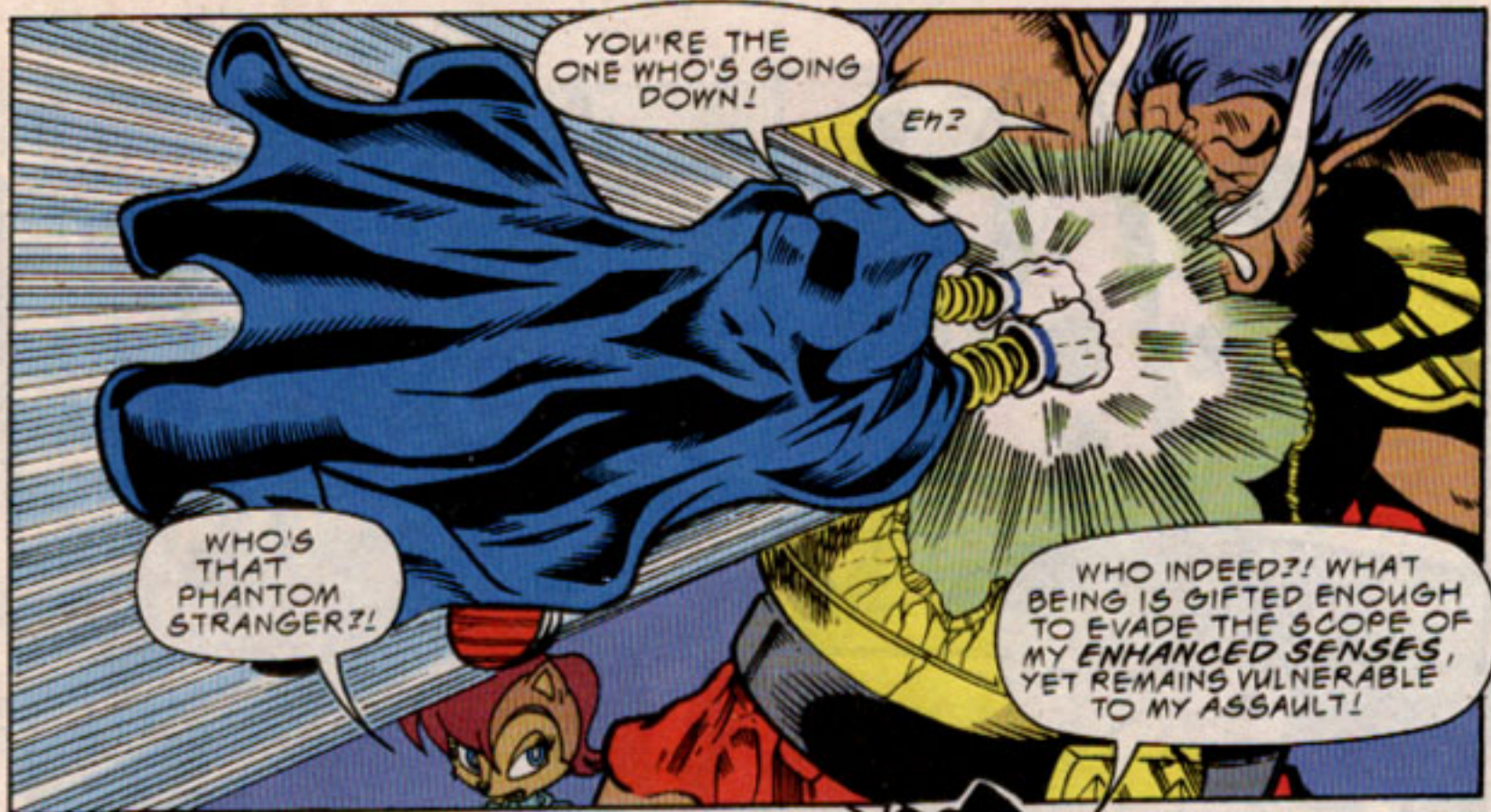
UGH! I DON'T
KNOW! HE DIDN'T
MAKE IT BACK!

AKK! SOMEHOW,
HE MUST'VE GOTTEN
LOST ON THE ROAD
HOME!

INCOMING,
AGAIN!

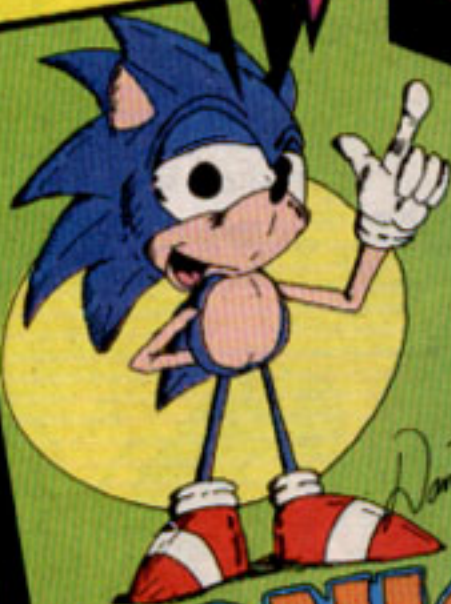


GET REAL,
MAMMOTH
MORON!



FAN ART

SONIC



DAVID
BADGEROW

SONIC
IS EXCELLENT!

KATIE
WILLIAMSON
MARENISCO, MI



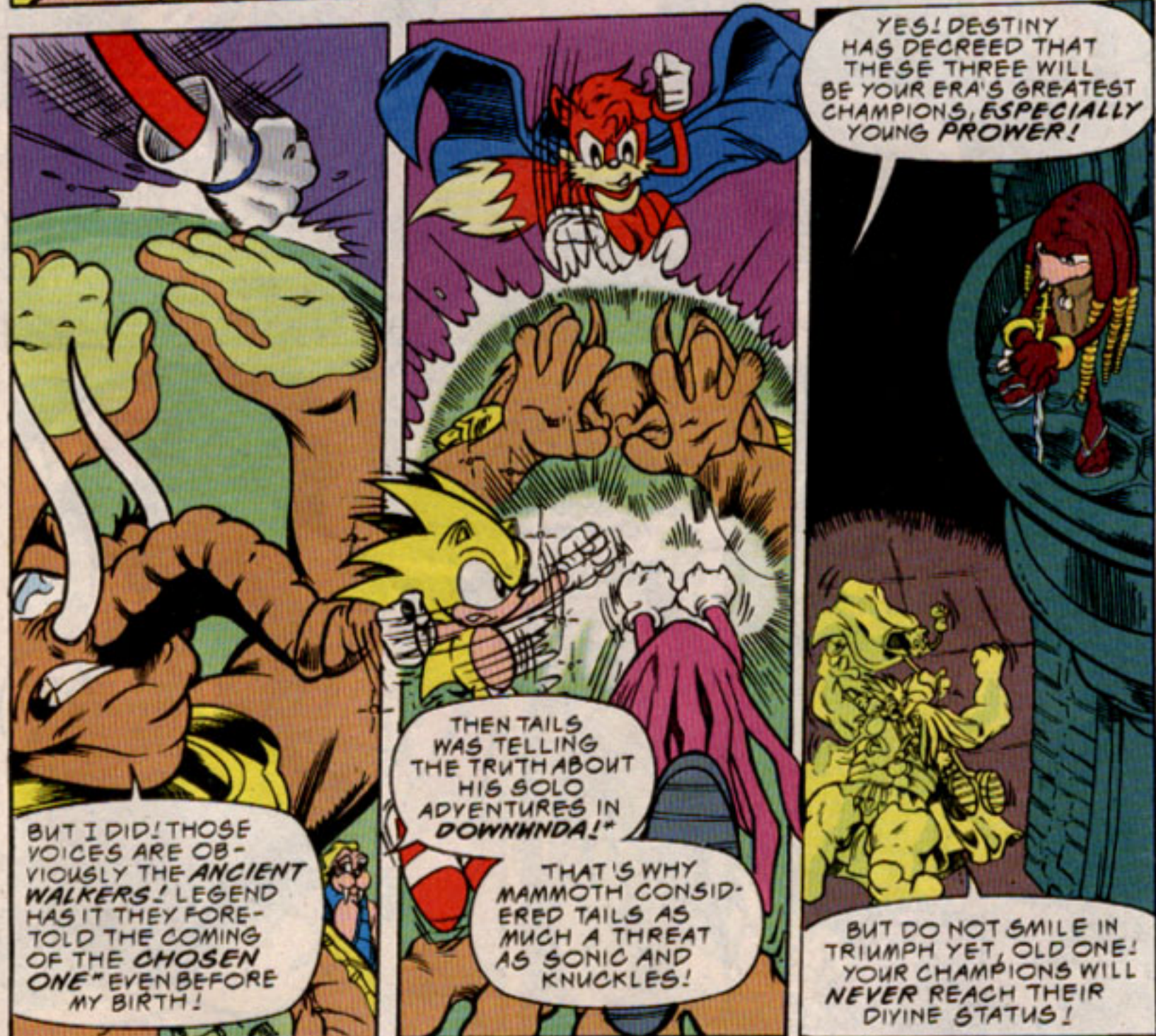
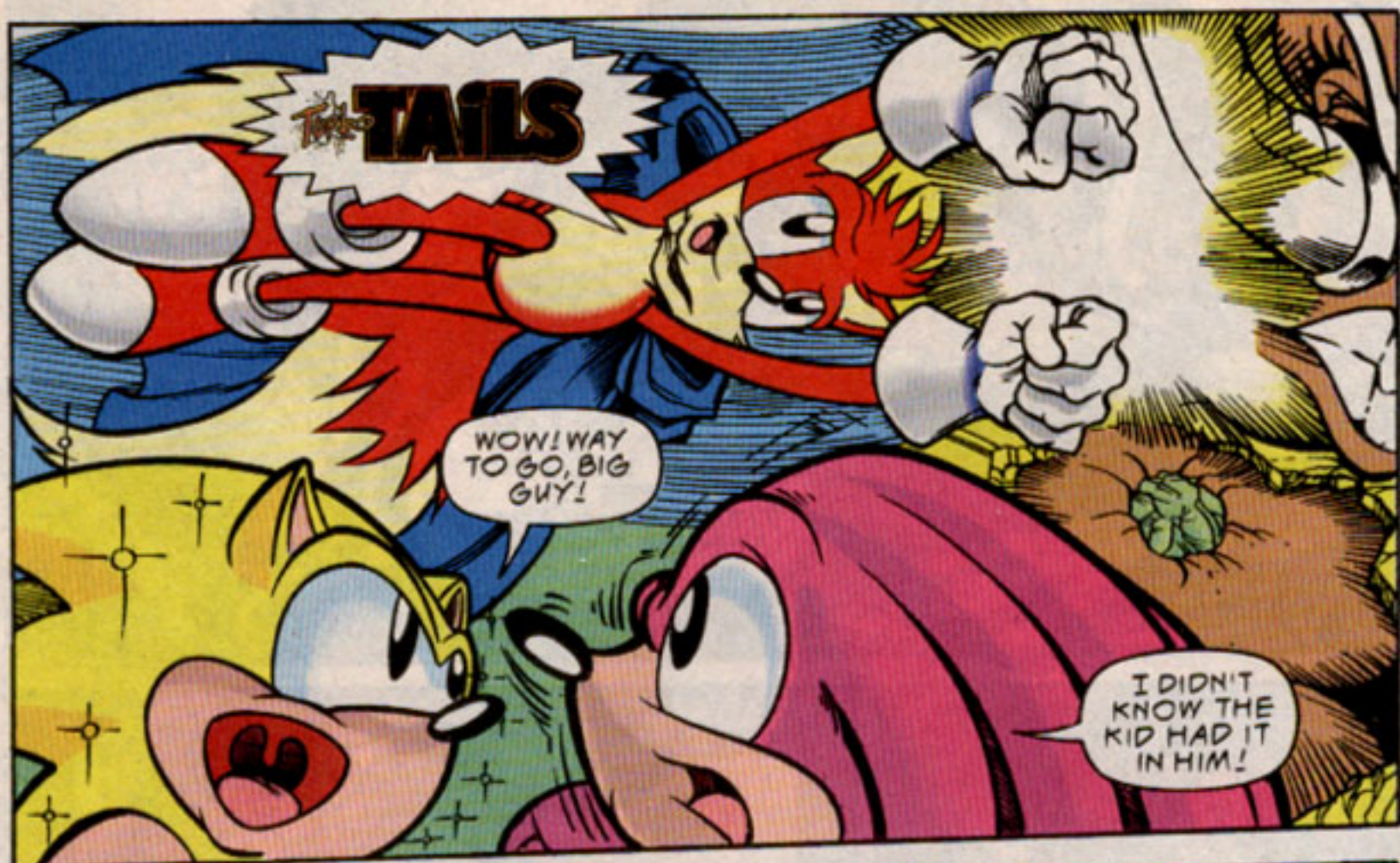
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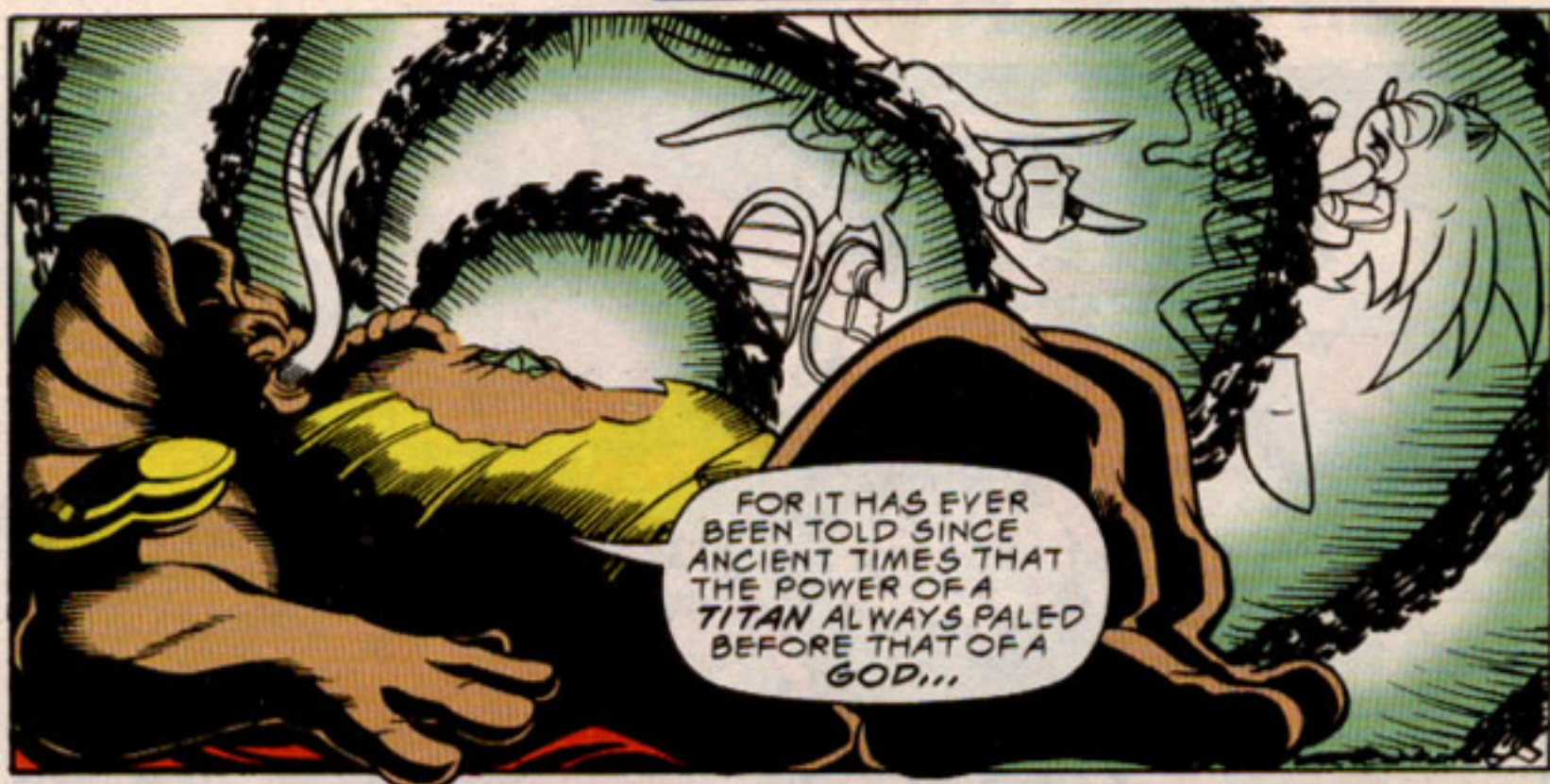
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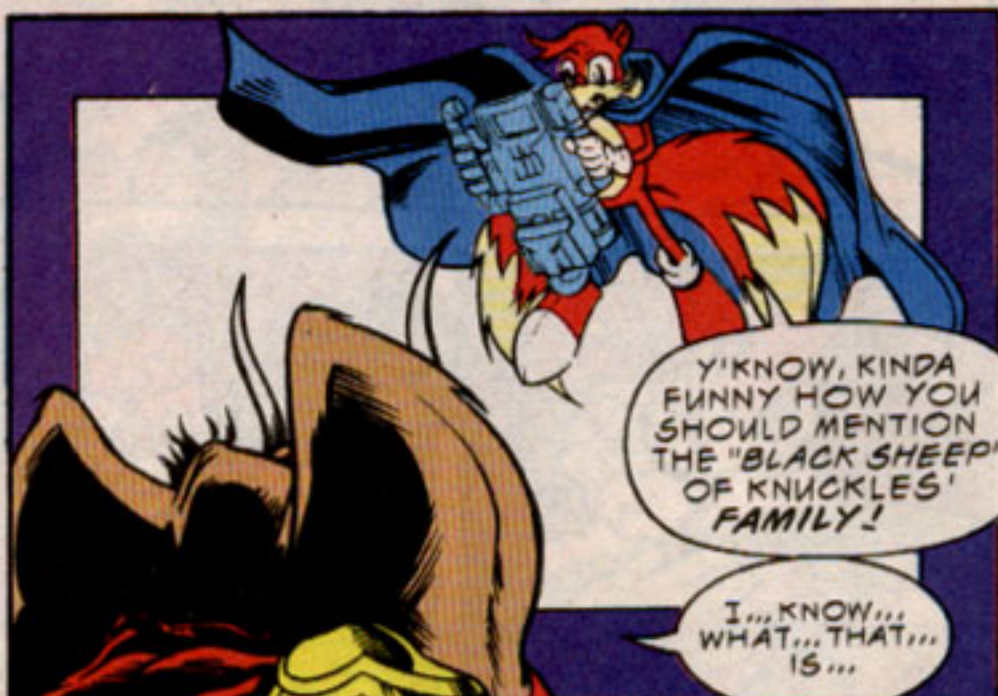
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FOR IT HAS EVER BEEN TOLD SINCE ANCIENT TIMES THAT THE POWER OF A TITAN ALWAYS PALED BEFORE THAT OF A GOD...

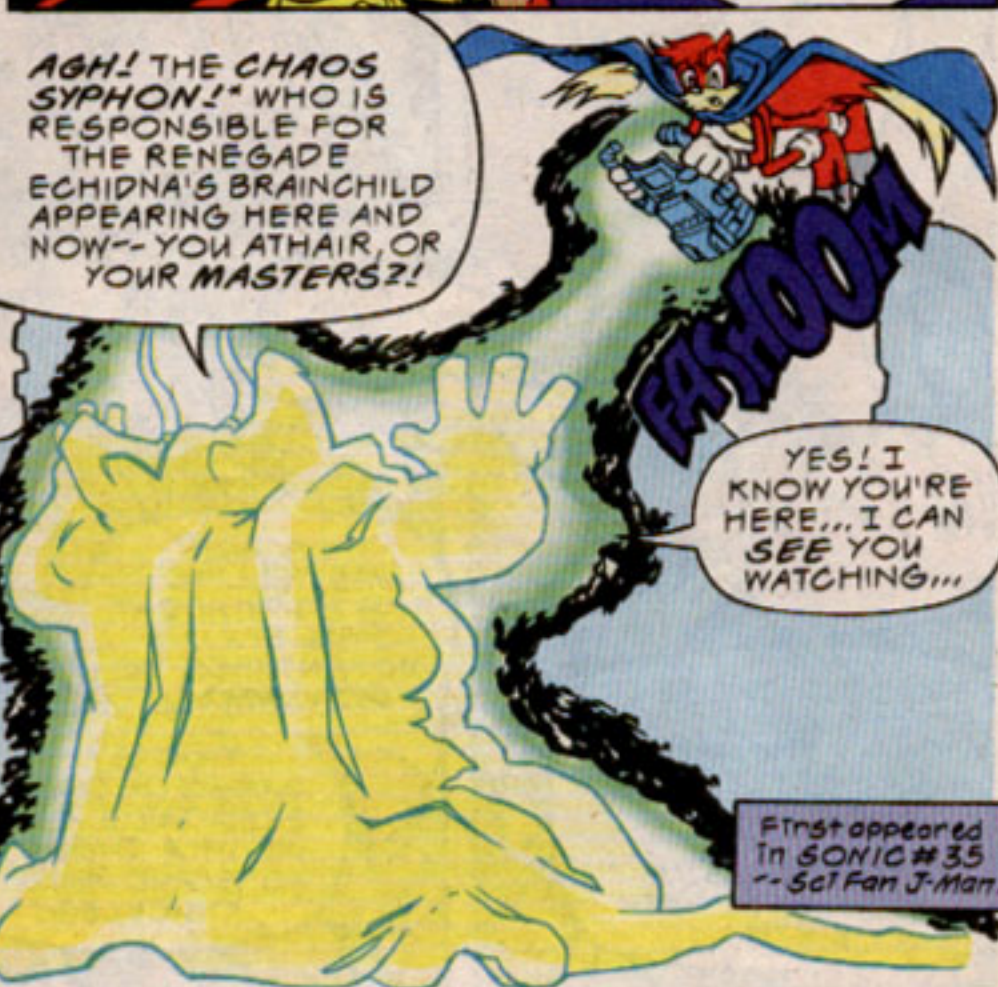


...AND WHAT ELSE WOULD YOU CALL AN IMMORTAL OVERLORD LIKE ME?! UNLIKE DIMITRI, I HAVE MASTERED MY CHAOTIC STRENGTHS AND INTEND TO...



Y'KNOW, KINDA FUNNY HOW YOU SHOULD MENTION THE "BLACK SHEEP" OF KNUCKLES' FAMILY!

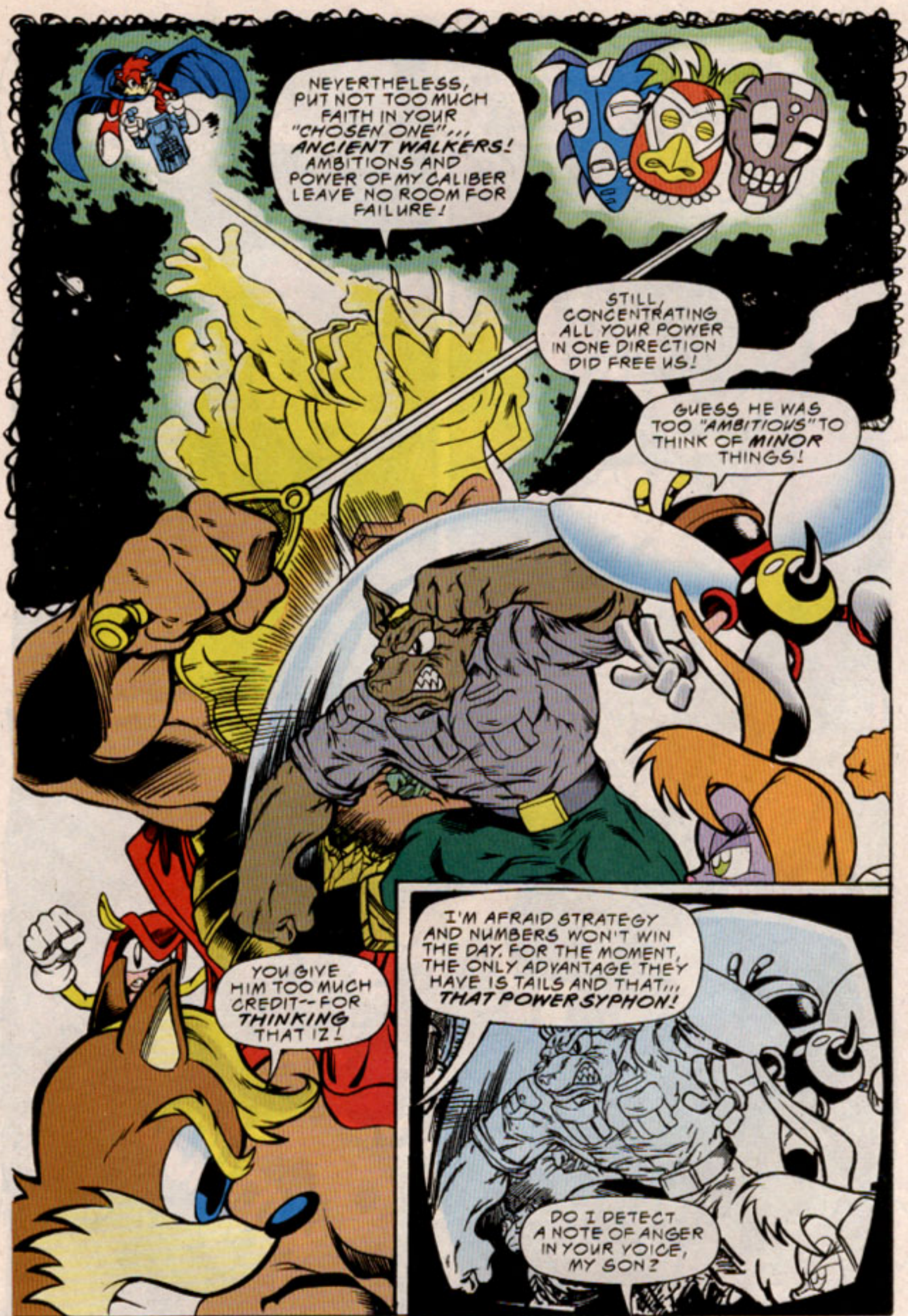
I...KNOW... WHAT... THAT... IS...



AGH! THE CHAOS SYPHON! WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE RENEGADE ECHIDNA'S BRAINCHILD APPEARING HERE AND NOW-- YOU ATHAIR, OR YOUR MASTERS?!

YES! I KNOW YOU'RE HERE... I CAN SEE YOU WATCHING...

First appeared in SONIC #35
-- Sci Fan J-Man.



NEVERTHELESS,
PUT NOT TOO MUCH
FAITH IN YOUR
"CHOSEN ONE"!!!
ANCIENT WALKERS!
AMBITIONS AND
POWER OF MY CALIBER
LEAVE NO ROOM FOR
FAILURE!

STILL,
CONCENTRATING
ALL YOUR POWER
IN ONE DIRECTION
DID FREE US!

GUESS HE WAS
TOO "AMBITIOUS" TO
THINK OF MINOR
THINGS!

YOU GIVE
HIM TOO MUCH
CREDIT-- FOR
THINKING
THAT IZ!

I'M AFRAID STRATEGY
AND NUMBERS WON'T WIN
THE DAY. FOR THE MOMENT,
THE ONLY ADVANTAGE THEY
HAVE IS TAILS AND THAT!!!
THAT POWER SYPHON!

DO I DETECT
A NOTE OF ANGER
IN YOUR VOICE,
MY SON?

WHETHER IT'S
THE PLAN OF ATHAIR
OR THE ANCIENT
WALKER'S, I APPLAUD
ITS LOGIC...

...BUT YOU'RE
THE ONE USED TO
WORKING COVERTLY,
LEAVING YOUR
INTERVENTION A
MYSTERY!

SORT OF
UNSETTLING
WHEN SOME-
ONE ELSE
DOES IT TO
YOU, EH?

PERHAPS, BUT
THEY ALWAYS
MOVED IN
DIFFERENT "COSMIC"
CIRCLES. MY REAL
CONCERN IS THAT
WITH A CRISIS OF
SUCH MAGNITUDE...

"...WHEN DO
WE MAKE
OUR MOVE?"

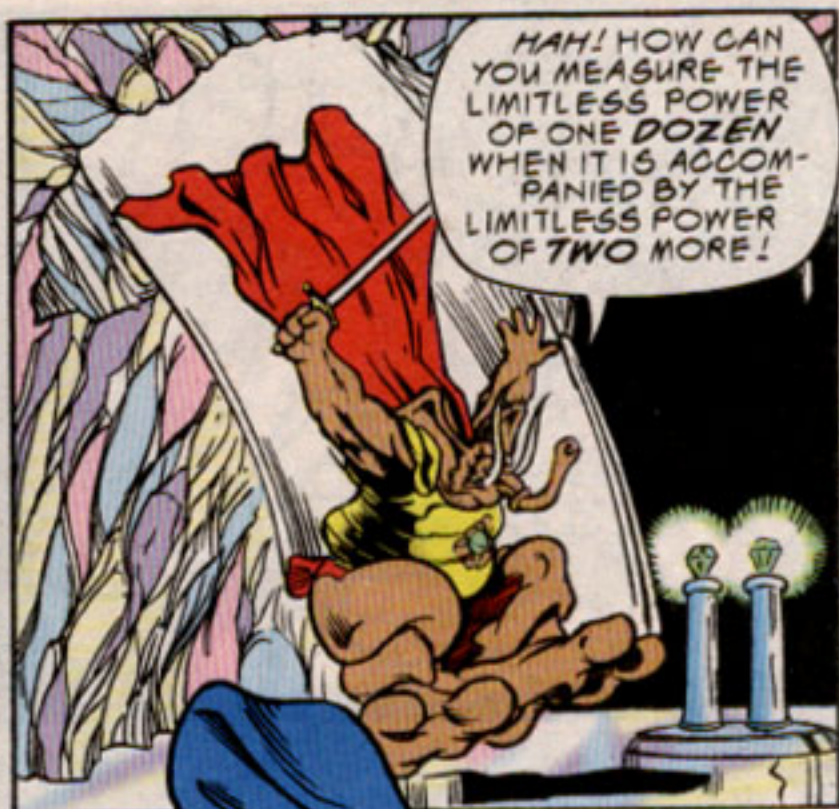
ARRGH! I WILL
COMPENSATE FOR
YOUR INTERFERENCE,
ANCIENT WALKERS!
CHAOTIC ENERGIES
CAN ACT AS A HOMING
BEACON...

...AND "LIKE"
POWERS WILL
SEEK THEIR
BRETHREN!

WHAT'S
HE MEAN?
WHAT'S HE
DOING?

KRRACK!

KATHOOTE!

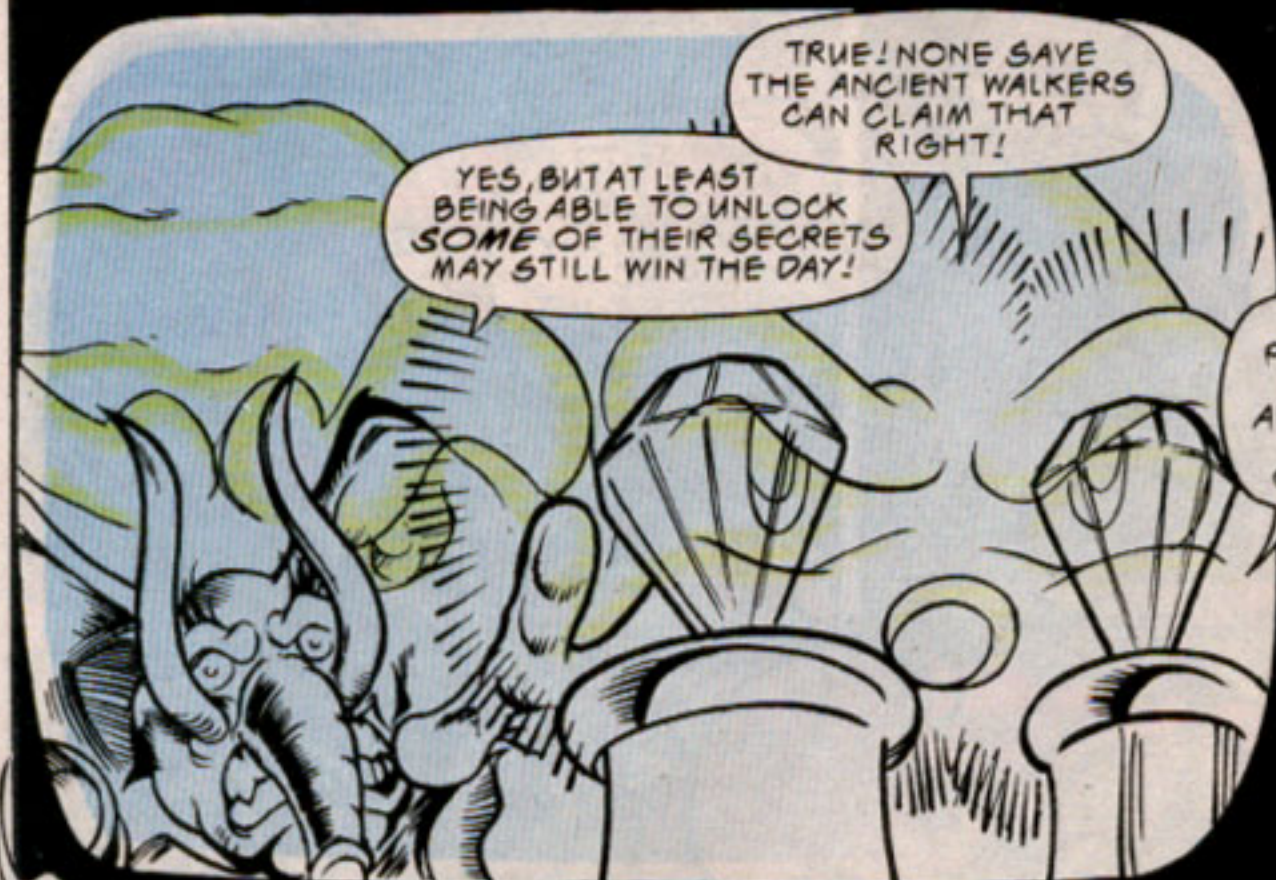




I KNOW, IT
STILL PALES BEFORE
TOTAL MASTERY
OF AN EMERALD'S
ENERGIES!



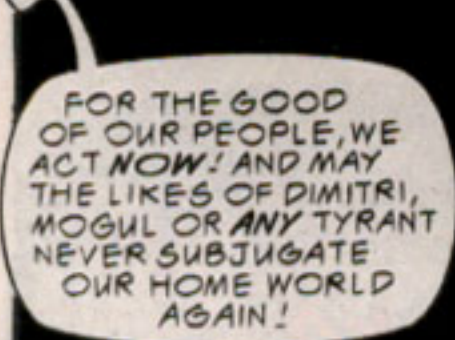
THAT IS SOMETHING
THAT NOT EVEN MAMMOTH
CAN CLAIM THIS DAY, NOR
DIMITRI BEFORE HIM!



YES, BUT AT LEAST
BEING ABLE TO UNLOCK
SOME OF THEIR SECRETS
MAY STILL WIN THE DAY!

TRUE! NONE SAYE
THE ANCIENT WALKERS
CAN CLAIM THAT
RIGHT!

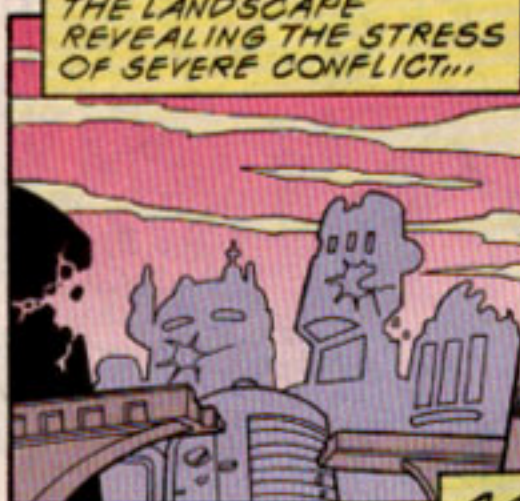
I GET YOUR
POINT. HEREIN
LIES THE
ANSWER TO MY
PREVIOUS
QUESTION...



FOR THE GOOD
OF OUR PEOPLE, WE
ACT **NOW!** AND MAY
THE LIKES OF DIMITRI,
MOGUL OR **ANY** TYRANT
NEVER SUBJUGATE
OUR HOME WORLD
AGAIN!

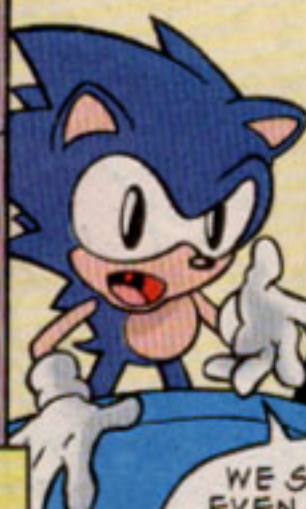


DAWN SETTLES OVER
ECHIDNAOPOLIS WITH
THE LANDSCAPE
REVEALING THE STRESS
OF SEVERE CONFLICT...



GAZING UPON THE
BATTLE RAVAGED
EDIFICES, IT'S HARD
TO BELIEVE THAT
ANYBODY COULD CALL
THIS DAY VICTORIOUS.

BUT NEVERTHELESS, A
VICTORY OF SORTS HAS
BEEN ACHIEVED...



WE STILL DON'T
EVEN KNOW WHAT
CAUSED THAT
CHAOTIC EXPLOSION,
BUT AT LEAST OUR
SHPER FORMS SAVED
OUR HIDES!

AND YOU BELIEVE
THAT, COMBINED
WITH THE MYSTERIOUS
DISTRESS CALL TO
YOUR FRIENDS* TRANS-
LATES TO OUTSIDE
INTERFERENCE?

SOUNDS
LOGICAL
TO ME!

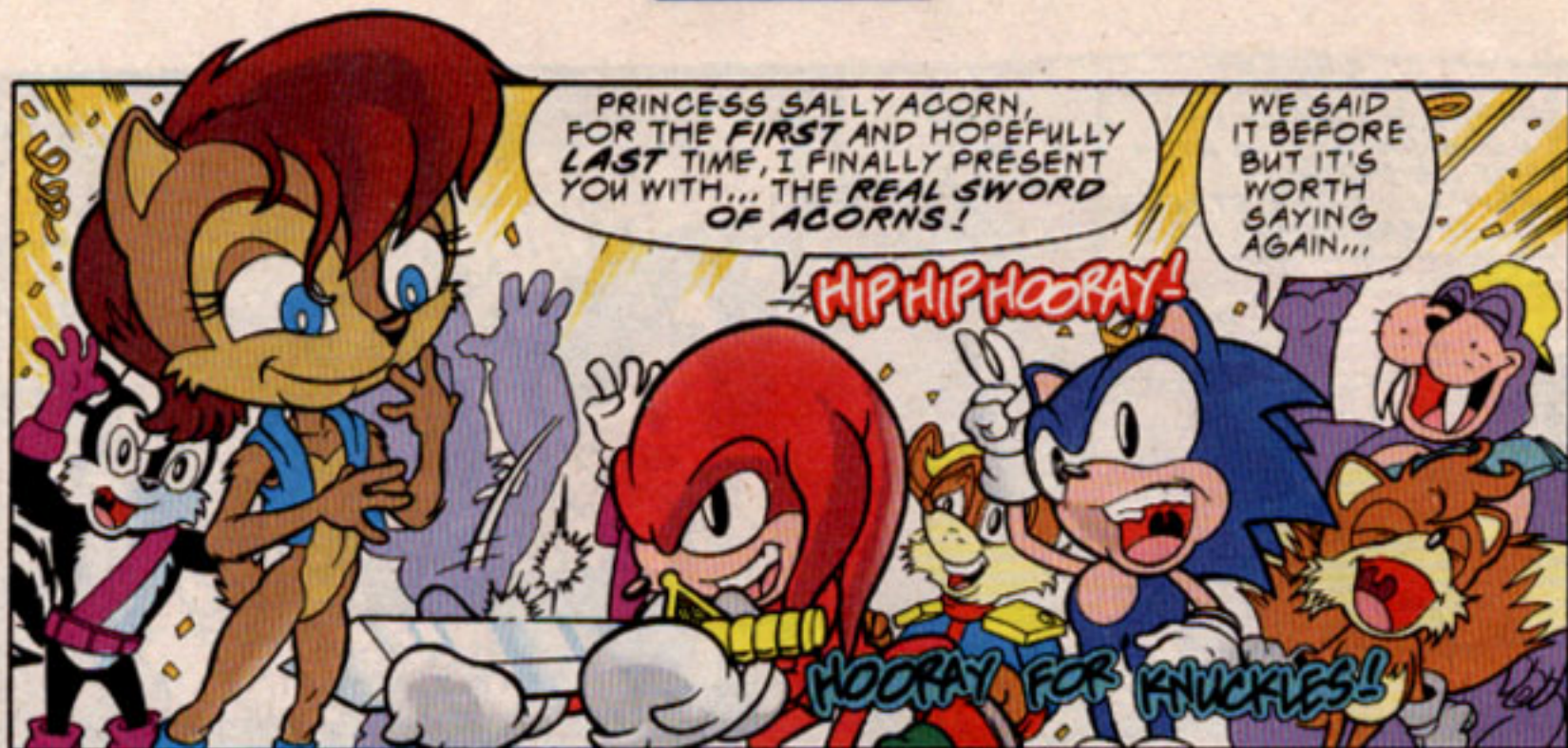
SAYS YOU!
I THINK THE
EXPLOSION
CHANGED US
BACK, BUT
SOMETHING
OTHER THAN
OUR **HYPER**
FORMS SAVED
OUR BUTTS!

See KNUX #9,
page 19! --Justin

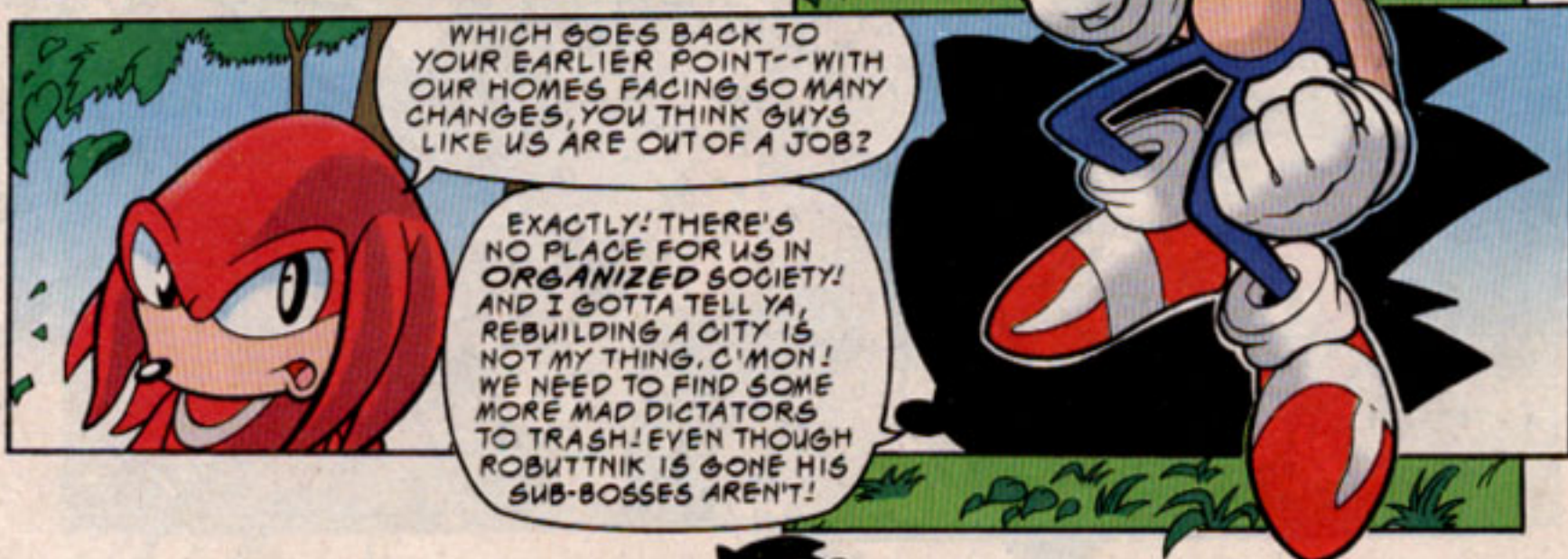
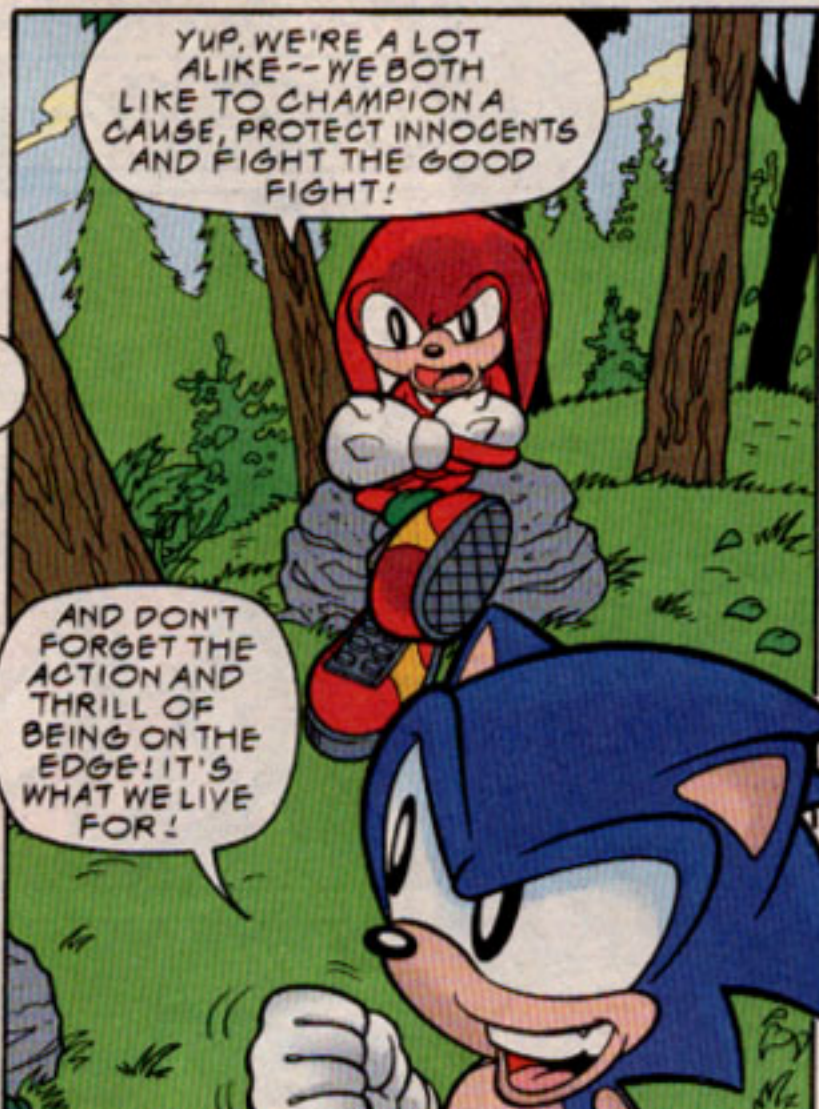
YES! TODAY
BROUGHT FORTH
A LOT MORE
UNANSWERED
QUESTIONS...
BUT ONE DAY
THEY WILL BE
ANSWERED!

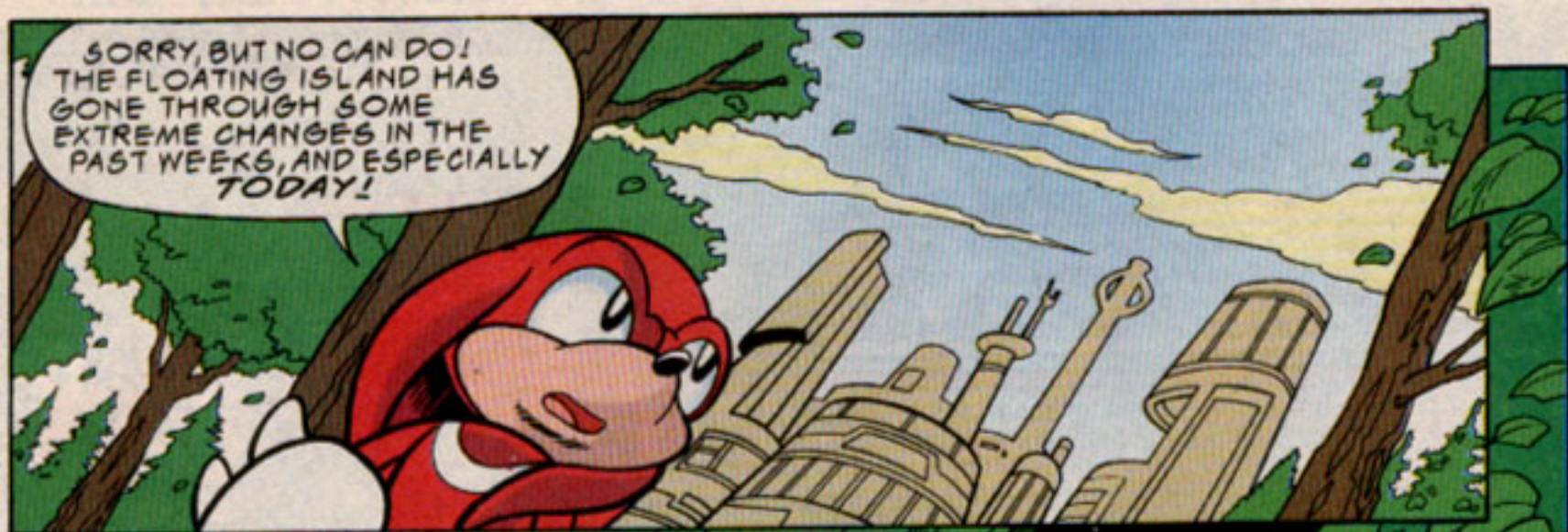
HERE YOU ARE,
GUARDIAN!

BUT RIGHT
NOW, I'M MORE
CONCERNED
WITH KEEPING
A SACRED
VOW!

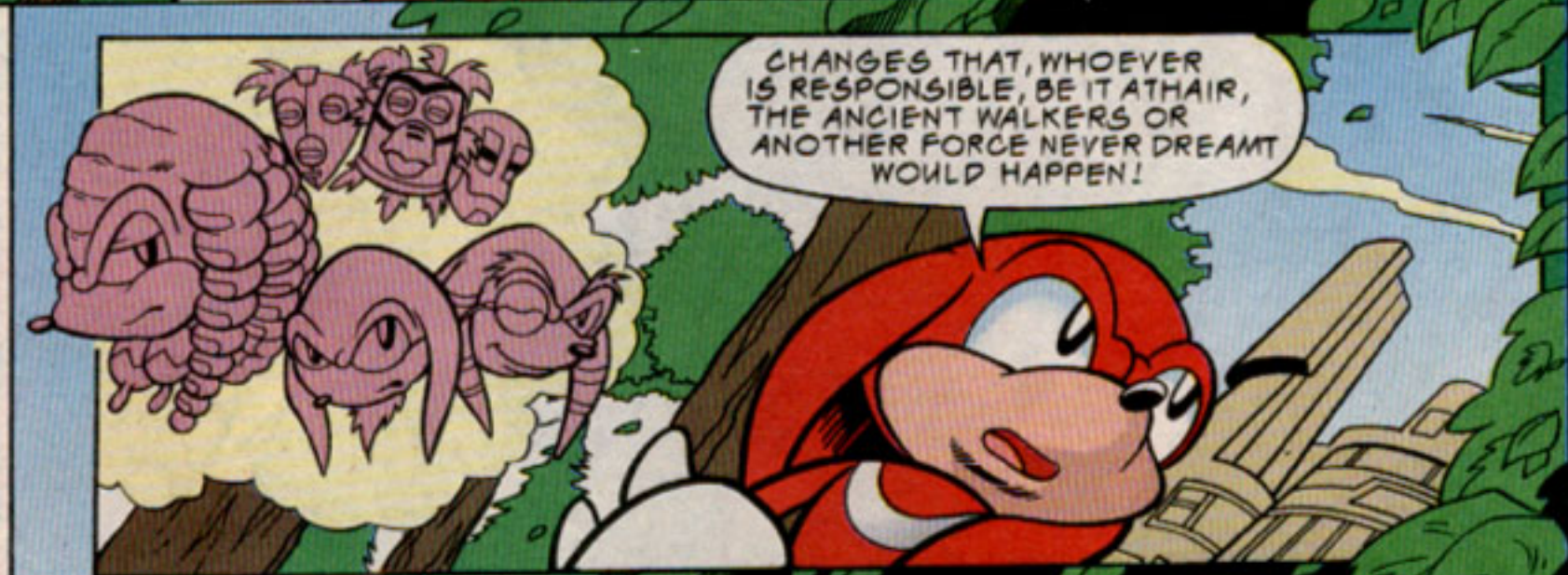


LATER THAT DAY TWO KINDRED SPIRITS WHO HAVE BEEN BOTH ENEMIES AND UNEASY ALLIES FINALLY RECONCILE THEIR DIFFERENCES...

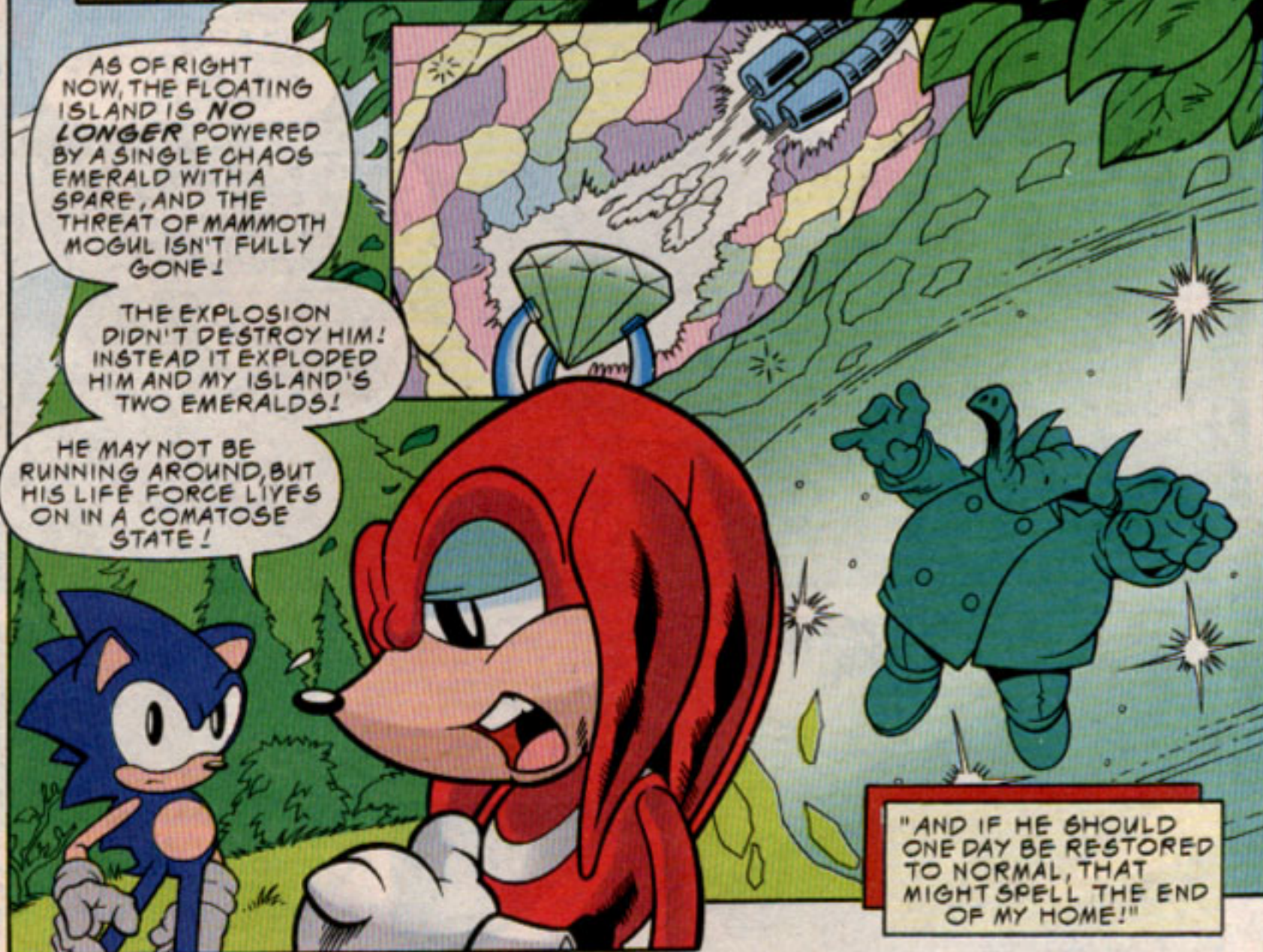




SORRY, BUT NO CAN DO!
THE FLOATING ISLAND HAS
GONE THROUGH SOME
EXTREME CHANGES IN THE
PAST WEEKS, AND ESPECIALLY
TODAY!



CHANGES THAT, WHOEVER
IS RESPONSIBLE, BE IT ATHAIR,
THE ANCIENT WALKERS OR
ANOTHER FORCE NEVER DREAMT
WOULD HAPPEN!



AS OF RIGHT
NOW, THE FLOATING
ISLAND IS **NO
LONGER** POWERED
BY A SINGLE CHAOS
EMERALD WITH A
SPARE, AND THE
THREAT OF MAMMOTH
MOGUL ISN'T FULLY
GONE!

THE EXPLOSION
DIDN'T DESTROY HIM!
INSTEAD IT EXPLODED
HIM AND MY ISLAND'S
TWO EMERALDS!

HE MAY NOT BE
RUNNING AROUND, BUT
HIS LIFE FORCE LIVES
ON IN A COMATOSE
STATE!

"AND IF HE SHOULD
ONE DAY BE RESTORED
TO NORMAL, THAT
MIGHT SPELL THE END
OF MY HOME!"

"THAT'S 'CAUSE THE FLOATING ISLAND IS NOW POWERED BY ONE GIANT CHAOS EMERALD A LIVING CHAOS EMERALD..."

"A POWER BATTERY MADE UP OF FOURTEEN EMERALDS WITH MAMMOTH MOGUL'S LIFE ESSENCE AT THE VERY CENTER!"

"RIGHT NOW, ONE OF OUR MOST FEARED ENEMIES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING MY HOME WORLD BY KEEPING THIS ISLAND AFLOAT!"

"FOR BETTER OR WORSE, MY PLACE IS HERE!"

WHAT'S UP, SONIC? DON'T TELL ME YOU HAD ANOTHER FIGHT WITH KNUCKLES?

NOPE, JUST BUSY WITH SOMETHING I USUALLY DON'T DO -- A LOT OF THINKING!

SO, YOU REALLY ARE THE "CHOSEN ONE", DESTINED TO BE A HERO GREATER THAN KNUCKLES AND ME?!

I SHOULD BE JEALOUS! BUT Y'KNOW I'M REALLY PROUD OF YOU!

THANKS! I GUESS I HAVE A LOT TO THINK ABOUT MYSELF, BUT RIGHT NOW I JUST MISS MY TURBO POWER!

I THINK LIKE ME, YOU JUST REALLY MISS THE CHANCE TO HELP THE "LITTLE GUY"! KNUX MAY HAVE DECLINED, BUT HOW ABOUT YOU, BIG GUY? UP FOR SOME REAL ADVENTURES AS YOU GROW INTO YOUR MANTLE OF SAVIOR?

HOW ABOUT YOU? UP FOR SOME SOLO ADVENTURES OF YOUR FAVORITE DUO? TUNE IN NEXT MONTH WHEN SONIC AND TAILS HIT THE ROAD TO ADVENTURE!

SONIC-GRAMS

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THIS JUST IN!

MOBOTROPOLIS... IN CIVIL WAR??

IN TWO WEEKS: AS OUR HEROES TRAVEL BACK HOME, THINGS HAVE GONE FROM BAD TO WORSE. IN THE ABSENCE OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS, KING ACORN'S NEW EDICT HAS BEEN ISSUED: "DISMANTLE ALL ROBIANS!" WITH BATTLE LINES DRAWN STRAIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE BETWEEN KING ACORN AND **UNCLE CHUCK**, THE QUESTION REMAINS... WHO WILL **SONIC** AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS SIDE WITH? THIS ONE MUST NOT BE MISSED. STORY BY KARL BOLLERS WITH ART BY SAM MAXWELL AND PAM EKLUND. PLUS: THE ONE STORY YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR: HOW DID **BUNNIE AND ANTOINE** ESCAPE **CROCBOT'S** CLUTCHES? THIS ISSUE CONTAINS THE ANSWER. STORY BY MIKE GALLAGHER, ART CHORES BY NELSON ORTEGA AND PAM EKLUND. **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL#4: "RETURN OF THE KING" ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**

NEXT MONTH: WITNESS THE PAST UNFOLD

AS **SONIC** AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS REMINISCE ABOUT TIMES GONE BY

-- THE JOY, THE SADNESS, THE LOSSES AND THE VICTORIES! THIS STORY IS BROUGHT TO YOU BY KARL BOLLERS, ART MAWHINNEY AND JIM AMASH. **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #57 ON SALE LATE JANUARY 1998!**

IN OTHER SEGA NEWS... IN

ONE WEEK: CONTINUING THE STORY BASED ON THE HIT SEGA VIDEO GAME COMES **NIGHTS INTO DREAMS #2 (OF 3)!** FOLLOWING THE EXPLOITS OF **ELLIOT EDWARDS** AND **CLARIS SINCLAIR**, TWO KIDS FROM THE CITY OF TWIN SEEDS THAT SHARE THE RARE ABILITY TO MELD WITH A CREATURE OF DREAMS CALLED **NIGHTS!** TOGETHER, THEY HOPE TO DEFEAT **WIZEMAN** AND HIS EVIL NIGHTMAREN. BUT WILL THEY BE ENOUGH TO SAVE THE WORLD FROM BECOMING ONE HUGE NIGHTMARE? WRITTEN BY **DAN SLOTT** WITH ART BY **SPAZ, MANNY AND HARVO**. DON'T MISS IT! **ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**

AND IN THREE WEEKS: JOIN **KNUCKLES** ON A QUEST FOR THE FABLED "LOST TRIBE OF ECHIDNAS." BUT HE DOES NOT MAKE THIS JOURNEY ALONE. TO HELP HIM IN HIS QUEST IS HIS GREAT-GRANDFATHER... THE EVER-MYSTERIOUS **ATHAIR!** IT'S EVERYTHING **KNUX** FANS EXPECT AND MORE FROM **STORYTELLERS KEN PENDERS, MANNY GALAN AND ANDREW PEPOY!** **KNUCKLES THE ECHIDNA #10 ON SALE JANUARY 1998!**



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CATCH YOU ON THE FLIP SIDE!

FREDDY

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NOTE: DUE TO AN OVERWHELMING AMOUNT OF EMAIL, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO REPLY PERSONALLY TO EACH AND EVERY MESSAGE. HOWEVER, YOUR OPINIONS ARE IMPORTANT TO US AND EACH MESSAGE WILL BE READ.
THANKS FOR UNDERSTANDING

I'M STARING AT A PILE OF MAIL THAT HAS SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #49 WRITTEN ALL OVER IT. HERE ARE A FEW EXCERPTS...

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I'M REALLY CAUGHT UP IN THIS "END GAME" SERIES. ONE THING I DON'T UNDERSTAND IS WHY ST. JOHN CAN'T FIGURE OUT THAT SONIC HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH PRINCESS SALLY'S DEATH. OH, AND DON'T EVEN GET ME STARTED ON THAT DRAGO DUDE. THAT NO GOOD TRAITOR TREATS HERSHEY SO BAD, I CAN'T WAIT FOR THAT WIMP TO GET HIS. IF I WERE THERE I'D KICK HIS TAIL BUT GOOD! I HOPE FANS HAVE NOT LOST FAITH IN SONIC, I KNOW EVENTUALLY HE'LL COME OUT ON TOP.

BILL LUTZ (AGE 26)
CHICAGO, IL

I'M GLAD YOU'RE ENJOYING THE "END GAME" SERIES. HOPE YOU ENJOYED WATCHING DRAGO GET HIS IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #50 BY HERSHEY HERSELF. AGAIN THANK YOU FOR KEEPING THE FAITH. YOU FANS ARE THE BEST!

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I LOVE SONIC COMICS. MY FAVORITE CHARACTERS ARE SONIC, KNUCKLES AND TAILS. I HAVE "END GAME" PARTS 2 & 3 AND I WANT TO KNOW HOW KING ACORN BECAME HALF-CRYSTAL?

ZAIN HUSSAIN
KARACHI, PAKISTAN

AS EXPLAINED BY THE KING HIMSELF IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #53, THE POWER TO TURN TO CRYSTAL AND BACK AGAIN WAS GIVEN TO HIM BY IXIS NAUGUS. ONCE HE LEFT THE ZONE OF SILENCE, HE COULD NO LONGER CONTROL IT AND THE CRYSTALLIZATION STARTED TO CONSUME HIS BODY.

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I LOVE YOUR COMIC. I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHY IN SUSAN HATFIELD'S LETTER SHE WROTE ABOUT HOW SALLY AND

KNUCKLES SHOULDN'T GET TOGETHER. WELL, I THINK THY WOULD MAKE A GREAT COUPLE. MAYBE SONIC COULD GET TO KNOW LUPE OR HERSHEY. ANYWAY, I KNOW SALLY'S NOT DEAD. THE FACT THAT DUCK WOULDN'T GIVE UNCLE CHUCK THE FINAL MEDICAL REPORT GAVE IT AWAY FOR ME. CAN'T WAIT FOR THE NEXT ISSUE!

NICOLE FOGLIA (AGE 12)
FARMINGTON HILLS, MI

WHAT DO MEAN SALLY AND KNUCKLES WOULD MAKE A GREAT COUPLE? I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW SALLY THINKS I'M THE CAT'S MEOW (AT LEAST I THINK SHE DOES).

DEAR SONIC-GRAMS,

I'VE BEEN READING SONIC COMICS FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS NOW AND THE STORIES HAVE BEEN COOL! AND THEN SUDDENLY I BOUGHT YOUR LATEST INSTALLMENT THE "END GAME" SERIES AND IT'S SO AWESOME, I'M TOTALLY BLOWN AWAY. 1) NOW IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN AMY ROSE (THE PINK HEDGEHOG IN THE ORANGE SKIRT WHOSE FIRST APPEARANCE WAS IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #25) APPEARED IN THE SONIC CD GAME, RIGHT? 2) ROSIE, SALLY'S OLD NANNY, WHO CAME FROM THE ANIMATED SERIES, IS WHAT KIND OF ANIMAL? 3) IT SAYS THE NEXT ISSUE SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #50 IS CALLED "THE BIG GOODBYE!" THIS DOESN'T MEAN THAT SONIC #50 IS THE LAST ISSUE, CAN IT? I HOPE NOT!

RAY HANGREAVES
SALEM, OR

HEY, RAY, WUZ UP?? 1) YES, YOU ARE CORRECT. AMY ROSE DID APPEAR IN SONIC CD OF WHICH SONIC #25 WAS AN ADAPTATION OF. 2) ROSIE IS A WOODCHUCK AS WAS HER COUSIN AND SALLY'S MENTOR, JULAYLA (WHO PASSED AWAY IN SONIC #18). 3) AS YOU CAN SEE, SONIC #50 WAS NOT THE LAST ISSUE. EVEN THOUGH ROBOTNIK HAS FINALLY BEEN DEFEATED AFTER TEN YEARS OF HIS TYRANNY, THINGS ARE FAR FROM BEING FIXED. AND WITH NEW VILLAINS CROPPING UP TO TAKE ROBOTNIK'S PLACE, A HEDGEHOG'S WORK IS NEVER DONE.



DEAR SONIC,

MY NAME IS STEPHANIE GRAY FROM BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA AND I READ ALL YOUR COMICS. I'VE A FEW QUESTIONS TO ASK YOU... 1) IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #49, WHAT WAS THE STUFF YOU THREW FROM YOUR SHOE? 2) DID YOU KNOW THAT KING ACORN WAS A ROBOT? 3) WHY DON'T YOU AND KNUCKLES GET ALONG?

STEPHANIE GRAY
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WHAT'S UP STEPHANIE GRAY FROM BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA. YOU SEE ANY 'ROOS LATELY? THANKS FOR READING ALL MY COMICS. MAKES A HEDGEHOG FEEL GOOD YOU KNOW. IF YOU CAN, CHECK OUT KNUCKLES' BOOK OR OUR NEW ADDITION, NIGHTS INTO DREAMS! 1) THE STUFF IN MY SHOE WAS ALL THE DIRT I COLLECTED IN THERE SINCE I STARTED TO RUN IN SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #48. 2) I KNEW SOMETHING WAS UP WITH KING ACORN BUT I HAD NO IDEA ROBOTNIK WAS BEHIND IT. 3) IF YOU READ SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #53, YOU KNOW THAT ME AND THE RAD RED BURIED THE HATCHET.

UNTIL NEXT MONTH, KEEP ON JUICIN'!